Investor Update

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Overview and current issues



Auckland Council - overview

Strong credit rating

- Long-term credit rating (AA S&P, Aa2 Moody's both on "Stable" outlook)
- Rating supported by strong governance framework, flexible and broad powers to set rates (property taxes), and strong diversified economy
- Lenders have a charge over current and future rates income (rates rank above all other claimants)

Sound financial position

- Annually balance operating expenditure with operating income
- Total assets of NZ\$45.7 billion; total debt NZ\$7.8 billion
- Strong operational cash flow as depreciation cash funded
- Debt only used to fund new assets

Funding strategy

- Diversification important
- Open to multi-currency transactions (via existing offshore programmes)
- NZ\$ listed bonds can now be sold to offshore wholesale accounts in certain jurisdictions at primary issuance



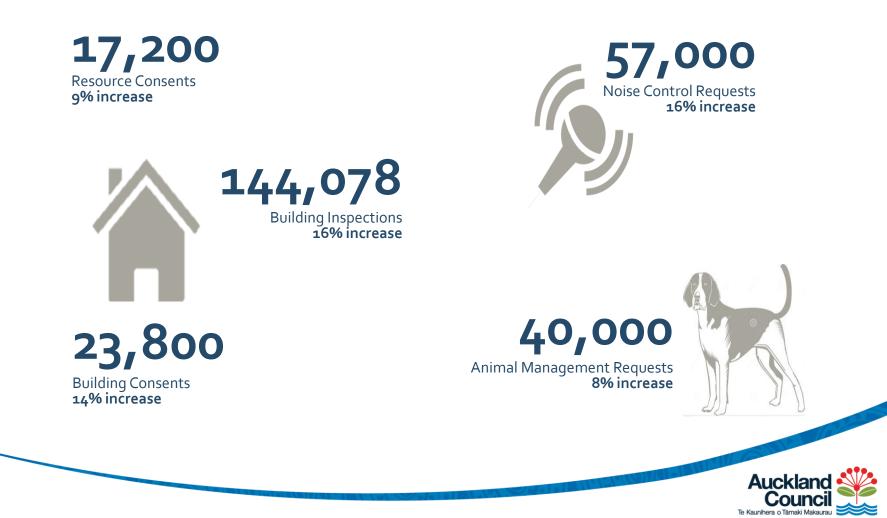
Current issues

- Growing population
 - Infrastructure demands
 - Housing
- Collaboration with central government
 - Housing, City Rail Link (CRL), infrastructure, Housing Infrastructure Fund
- Priorities of the new Mayor
 - Housing, transport, trust and confidence in Council
- Central government elections 23 September2017



Consents and Enforcement

In 2015/2016 demand on our regulatory resources has increased significantly



Interim financial results highlights



Group revenues up from the previous period by NZ\$137 million (5%)

| For the period (NZ\$m) | 6 months to 31 Dec 2016 | 6 months to 31 Dec 2015 | 12 months to 30 June 2016 |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Rates revenue* | 1,628 | 1,565 | 1,564 |
| Services and other revenues | 1,149 | 1,075 | 2,141 |
| Total revenue | 2,777 | 2,640 | 3,705 |

Mainly due to increases in:

- general rates revenue by \$63 million (in line with budget) due to planned rates increases and rating base growth
- public transport revenue by \$30 million due to change in operating model
- grants and subsidies and consents and development contributions

*Note full year rates revenue recognition in half yearly accounts



Group total expenditure up from the previous period by NZ\$119 million (7%)

| For the period (NZ\$m) | 6 months to 31 Dec 2016 | 6 months to 31 Dec 2015 | 12 months to 30 June 2016 |
|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Total expenses | 1,600 | 1,482 | 3,038 |
| Finance costs | 211 | 210 | 417 |
| Total | 1,811 | 1,692 | 3,455 |

Mainly due to increases in:

- Depreciation and amortisation up NZ\$28 million, due to the increase in assets
- Employee benefits up by NZ\$18 million due to higher activity levels
- Higher operating expenses NZ\$69 million, due to public transport, weathertightness and professional and consultancy costs.



Solid operating surplus up from the previous period by NZ\$18 million (2%)

| For the period (NZ\$m) | 6 months to Dec 2016 | 6 months to Dec 2015 | 12 months to June 2016 |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Operating surplus before gains and losses | 966 | 948 | 250 |
| (Deficit)/Surplus after income tax | 1,336 | 880 | (231) |

Increase in surplus after tax of NZ\$456 million from previous period was mainly due to increase in the fair value of financial instruments.



Total Group net assets increased by NZ\$1.3 billion (4%) from 30 June 2016

| As at (NZ\$m) | 31 Dec 2016 | 31 Dec 2015 | 30 June 2016 |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Cash | 222 | 269 | 137 |
| Total assets | 45,750 | 43,084 | 44,679 |
| Total borrowings | 7,760 | 7,410 | 7,611 |
| Total liabilities | 10,751 | 10,125 | 11,027 |
| Net assets | 34,999 | 32,959 | 33,652 |
| Total borrowings to total assets | 17.0% | 17.2% | 17.0% |

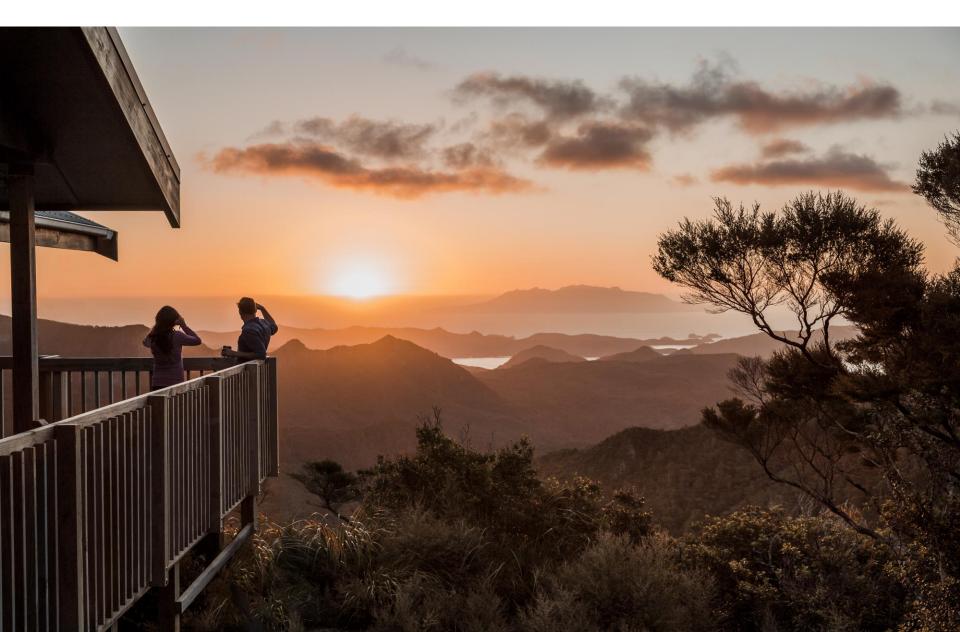


Operating cash flow up from the previous period by NZ\$57 million (13%)

| For the period (NZ\$m) | 6 months to 31 Dec 2016 | 6 months to 31 Dec 2015 | 12 months to 30 June 2016 |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Operating cash flow | 494 | 437 | 771 |
| Investing cash flow | (613) | (632) | (1,338) |
| Funding cash flow | 212 | 122 | 358 |



Debt market activity and funding approach



Funding approach

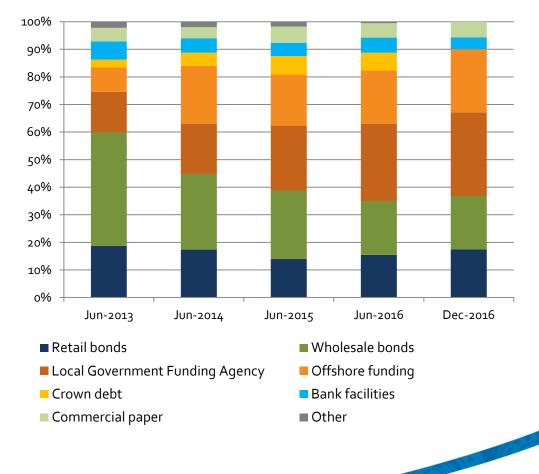
- Diversity important across domestic, Local Government Funding Agency ("LGFA") and offshore
- Spread of debt maturities
- Longer tenors
- Continue to develop offshore markets EUR benchmark issue



Group debt portfolio as at 31 December 2016

- 8 offshore transactions (A\$, EUR, NOK and CHF)
- Weighted average term of 5.8 years
- Backed by NZ\$900 million standby facility
- Funding via LGFA capped at 40% of their lending (currently 33%)
- Crown debt refinanced in October 2016

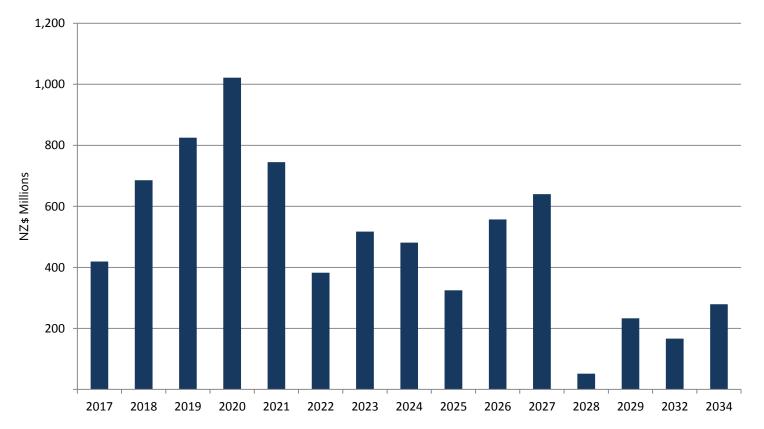
Auckland Council Group funding mix





Group long-term debt maturity profile

As at 31 December 2016





Security and credit ratings

Security

- Lenders have benefit of the Debenture Trust Deed giving a charge over rates revenue and future rates income
- Rates rank ahead of all other claimants on property
- Ability to appoint Commissioner and to levy special rate

Credit ratings

- Standard and Poor's: AA (Stable Outlook)
- Moody's: Aa2 (Stable Outlook)
- Both ratings affirmed in late 2016



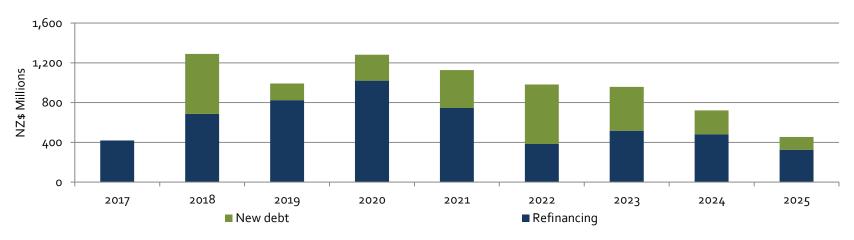
What underpins the strong credit rating

- Extremely predictable legislative and governance framework
- Flexible and broad powers to rate
- Strong and diversified economy
- Prudent financial management
- Debt burden noted as a risk

| Prudential borrowing limits | Policy limit | As at 30 June 2016 |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Net debt to total revenue | <275% | 195% |
| Net interest to total revenue | <15% | 11% |
| Net interest to total rates | <25% | 18% |
| Liquidity (six months) | >100% | 121% |

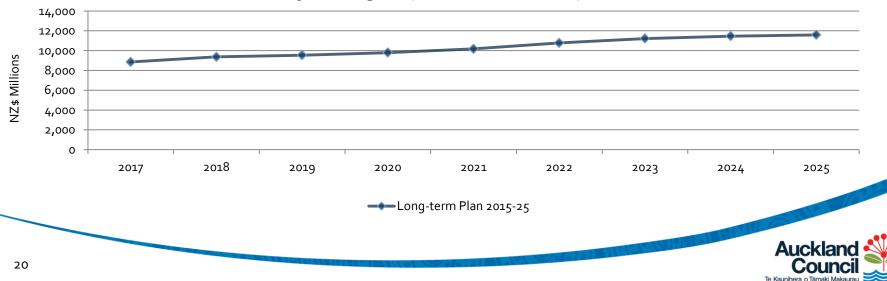


Forecast long-term borrowing and debt levels



Annual forecast group borrowing (financial years)

Projected group debt (financial years)



Auckland Council - summary

- Auckland is New Zealand's largest and fastest growing city with 1.6 million people. Population expected to increase by 700,000 by 2043 (representing 40% of New Zealand's population)
- Long-term credit rating AA by S&P and Aa2 by Moody's
- Rating is supported by the strong governance framework, flexible and broad powers to set rates, and strong, diversified economy
- Lenders have a charge over current and future rates income, rates rank above all claimants
- Annually balance operating expenditure with operating income
- Total assets of NZ\$ 45.7 billion; total debt NZ\$ 7.8 billion
- Strong operational cash flow as depreciation cash funded
- Debt only used to fund new assets



Detailed financials and contact details



Statement of financial position

As at 31 December 2016

| NZ\$ (million) | Actual half year to 31 Dec 16 | Actual half year to 31 Dec 15 | Actual year to 30 June 16 | Actual year to 30 June 15 |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Cash | 222 | 269 | 137 | 345 |
| Property plant and equipment | 41,492 | 39,154 | 41,156 | 38,897 |
| Investments | 1,736 | 1,470 | 1,755 | 1,450 |
| Other assets | 2,300 | 2,191 | 1,631 | 1,475 |
| Total assets | 45,750 | 43,084 | 44,679 | 42,167 |
| Borrowings | 7,760 | 7,410 | 7,611 | 7,334 |
| Other liabilities | 2,991 | 2,715 | 3,416 | 2,754 |
| Total liabilities | 10,751 | 10,125 | 11,027 | 10,088 |
| Net assets | 34,999 | 32,959 | 33,652 | 32,079 |
| Total equity | 34,999 | 32,959 | 33,652 | 32,079 |



Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the six months ended 31 December 2016

| NZ\$ (million) | Actual half year to 31 Dec 16 | half year to | Actual year to 30 June 16 | Actual year to 30 June 15 |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Rates | 1,628 | 1,565 | 1,564 | 1,458 |
| Other revenue | 1,149 | 1,075 | 2,141 | 2,100 |
| Total revenue excluding other gains | 2,777 | 2,640 | 3,705 | 3,558 |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 430 | 402 | 778 | 778 |
| Finance costs | 211 | 210 | 417 | 422 |
| Other expenses | 1,170 | 1,080 | 2,210 | 2,278 |
| Total expenditure excluding other losses | 1,811 | 1,692 | 3,455 | 3,478 |
| Operating surplus/(deficit) before gains and losses | 966 | 948 | 250 | 80 |
| Net gains/(losses) including income tax | 405 | (68) | (481) | (152) |
| Surplus/(Deficit) after income tax | 1,371 | 880 | (231) | (72) |
| Total other comprehensive revenue/(expenditure) | 11 | 0 | 1,788 | 1,010 |
| Total comprehensive revenue | 1,347 | 880 | 1,557 | 938 |



Statement of Cash Flows

For the six months ended 31 December 2015

| NZ\$ (million) | Actual half year to 31 Dec 16 | Actual half year to 31 Dec 15 | year to | Actual year to 30 June 15 |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|
| Net cash from operating activities | 494 | 437 | 771 | 726 |
| Purchase of P,P&E, investment property and intangible assets | (741) | (644) | (1,340) | (1,490) |
| Other investing activities | 128 | 12 | 2 | 45 |
| Net cash from investing activities | (613) | (632) | (1,338) | (1,445) |
| Proceeds from borrowings | 858 | 952 | 1,994 | 2,797 |
| Repayment of borrowings | (646) | (830) | (1,635) | (1,943) |
| Repayment of finance lease principal | - | - | (1) | - |
| Net cash from financing activities | 212 | 122 | 358 | 854 |
| Net increase/(decrease) in cash | 93 | (73) | (209) | 135 |
| Opening cash and cash equivalents and bank overdraft | 128 | 337 | 337 | 202 |
| Closing cash and cash equivalents and bank overdraft | 221 | 264 | 128 | 337 |



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