

**Monitoring Report - Executive Summary
April 2011**

Council activity in the first three months has been very much business as usual - with no significant ups and downs – particularly in the major works and construction areas and in the three waters: water, stormwater and wastewater.

The City Plan decisions were formally released in March and are now open to appeal through the Environment Court.

The Infrastructure Development Code hearings are completed.

The draft Annual Plan is now open for submissions.

Earthquake-prone buildings received a lot of publicity since 22 February and our Council released a list of earthquake-prone buildings in the CBD.

Repairs to Mauao from the 29 January flood event will ensure the repairs and maintenance budget will even out by June. Currently the repairs and maintenance budget is \$1.2m behind. The tracks on Mauao that were damaged are opening at variable dates as repairs can be completed. The Oruahine track will be open by the end of April.

The bus stop on Willow St opened on 20 March.

The final Hazardous Waste Collection was held at Maleme St on 26 March.

Baypark Arena held a very successful open day on 27 March. The construction will be completed by the end of August. The Arataki Community Centre construction was awarded to Marra and will be completed by September 2011.

DIY Marae is due to be filmed in Hauharua Park in mid-April.

A rear wall of the sound barrier on Takitimu Drive is being made available for 'official' graffiti art.

The Aspen tree is being removed in two stages – stage one is now complete.

A significant number of volunteers have been recruited and are being trained for the Rugby World Cup – a process that is being facilitated by Venues and Events networks.

DVDs and CD rentals are 22% below last year's figures. Top Ten fiction rental is 3% below last year.

The number of registered dogs in Tauranga has exceeded 9000 for the first time.