

2.0 DEFINITIONS

Accredited Product Stewardship Scheme	An accredited product stewardship scheme is a scheme that has been assessed against criteria in the Waste Minimisation Act and has been accredited by the Minister for the Environment under section 15 of the Act. Those running these schemes may apply to the Minister to have the scheme accredited.
As-built	Refers to a survey or drawing of the actual assets that have been constructed, recognising that they can sometimes vary from what was planned before work started on site. As-built drawings are needed to ensure that asset information systems contain data on the asset as it has been constructed, not how it was planned in theory.
Biosolids	Biosolids are a by-product of sewage collection and treatment processes, which can be beneficially reused as a soil conditioner.
Critical Assets	Those assets with a high consequence of failure. They are often found as part of a network, in which, for example, their failure would compromise the performance of the entire network.
Development Contributions	Funds paid, typically by developers, to local authorities to help with the cost of growth. These contributions are authorised by Part 8 of the Local Government Act 2002.
Diverted material	Diverted material means any thing that is no longer required for its original purpose and, but for commercial or other waste minimisation activities, would be disposed of or discarded.
Extended Producer Responsibility	Producer responsibility puts the onus on businesses to look for, and capitalise on, opportunities for resource conservation and pollution prevention throughout a product's life cycle.
Hazardous waste	Hazardous waste refers to materials that are flammable, explosive, oxidising, corrosive, toxic, ecotoxic, radioactive or infectious. Examples include unused agricultural chemicals, solvents and cleaning fluids, medical waste and many industrial wastes.
Landfill	A landfill is an area used for the controlled disposal of solid waste.
Organic waste	Organic waste includes garden, kitchen waste, food process wastes, and sewage sludge.
Product Stewardship	Product stewardship requires producers, brand owners, importers, retailers, consumers and other parties to accept

responsibility for the environmental effects of products – from the beginning of the production process through to, and including, disposal at the end of the product's life. It moves some responsibility for waste to those involved in the production and supply of the product, and indirectly to the consumer by ensuring any residual waste costs are reflected in the purchase price. It therefore provides incentives for better product design and other measures to reduce waste and resource costs.

RTS	Refuse Transfer Station, Taupō District Council has five RTS, located at Mangakino, Kinloch, Turangi, Kuratau and Whareroa.
Solid waste	Solid waste is all waste generated as a solid or converted to a solid for disposal. It includes wastes like paper, plastic, glass, metal, electronic goods, furnishings, garden and other organic wastes.
Special wastes	Special wastes are those wastes that cause particular problems at disposal and which may need special management to effectively recover material or ensure proper disposal. Examples of wastes include used oil, used tyres, end-of-life vehicles, batteries, end-of-life electronic goods and good with specific materials such as some plastics.
TDC	Taupō District Council.
Trade waste	Trade waste refers to liquid wastes generated by business and disposed of through the trade waste system. Trade waste includes a range of hazardous materials resulting from industrial and manufacturing processes.
User Pays	Places the cost of the service provision onto those that use the service i.e. one pays for the refuse sticker to place on the rubbish bag for it to be collected or having a gate charge at waste disposal sites.
Vested Assets	Assets that are transferred to a public entity at nominal or zero cost. Typically, this might result from a situation where a developer has installed assets as part of developing a site and passes them to a public entity to manage, maintain, and deliver services through. The fair value of these assets has to be determined as they are integrated into the organisation's asset information system so that they can be appropriately managed.
Waste Flight	Where waste moves from one Landfill or transfer station to another due to pricing incentives.
Waste hierarchy	The waste hierarchy orders preferred waste minimisation and management methods (listed in descending order of importance):

- reduction
- reuse
- recycling
- recovery
- treatment
- disposal.

Waste minimisation Waste minimisation refers inclusively to the reduction of waste and the reuse, recycling of waste and diverted material.

Waste reduction Means lessening waste generation, including by using products more efficiently or by redesigning products; and, in relation to a product, lessening waste generation in relation to the product.

3.0 ACRONYMS / ABBREVIATIONS

AM	Asset Manager
AMP	Asset Management Plan
AMS	Asset Management System
Audit	Audit New Zealand
CAPEX	Capital Expenditure
CCTV	Closed circuit television – common method of inspecting pipes
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
Council	Taupō District Council
CSA	Control Self Assessment (Risk Management)
DC	Development Contribution
ES	Environmental Services Group at Taupō District Council
GIS	Geographical Information System
GMS	Growth Management Strategy
IPG	Infrastructure and Parks Group at Taupō District Council
LDS	Land Disposal Site
LGA	Local Government Act
LoS	Level of Service
LTP	Long Term Plan (Council’s ten year planning document formerly the Long Term Council Community Plan – LTP)
OPEX	Operational Expenditure
PRAMP	Property Asset Management Plan
RMA	Resource Management Act
RPS	Environment Waikato Regional Policy Statement
SAMP	Solid Waste Asset Management Plan
SLG	Senior Leadership Group (CEO, 2 nd Tier Managers and selected 3 rd Tier Managers)

SMP	Stormwater Management Plan
SWAMP	Stormwater Asset Management Plan
SWAP T24	Solid Waste analysis protocol Track 24
TDC	Taupō District Council
TRAMP	Transportation Asset Management Plan
WRC	Waikato Regional Council
WW	Wastewater
WWAMP	Wastewater Asset Management Plan
WWTP	Wastewater Treatment Plant