Information Supporting the Supplementary Estimates

Vote Local Government

MINISTER(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROPRIATIONS: Minister of Local Government (M49)

ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Department of Internal Affairs

MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS: Minister of Internal Affairs

Part 1 - Summary of the Vote

Part 1.3 - Trends in the Vote

Summary of Financial Activity

	2010/11				
		Supplementary Estimates			
	Estimates \$000	Departmental Transactions \$000	Non- Departmental Transactions \$000	Total Transactions \$000	Total \$000
Appropriations					
Output Expenses	10,337	333	-	333	10,670
Benefits and Other Unrequited Expenses	57,000	N/A	800	800	57,800
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	3,844	-	354	354	4,198
Capital Expenditure	45,827	-	29,034	29,034	74,861
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	N/A	-	-
Total Appropriations	117,008	333	30,188	30,521	147,529
Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts					
Tax Revenue	-	N/A	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	125	N/A	-	-	125
Capital Receipts	-	N/A	-	-	-
Total Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts	125	N/A	-	-	125

Part 2 - Details and Expected Performance for Output Expenses

Part 2.1 - Departmental Output Expenses

Implementation of Auckland Governance Reforms (M49)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the implementation of the government's decisions on the recommendations of the Royal Commission on Auckland Governance.

Expenses and Revenue

	2010/11			
	Estimates \$000		Total \$000	
Total Appropriation	183	27	210	
Revenue from Crown	-	-	-	
Revenue from Other	183	27	210	

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

This appropriation will increase by \$27,000 to \$210,000 for 2010/11 due to an increase in demand for services delivered by the Department of Internal Affairs to the Auckland Transition Agency.

Services for Local Government MCOA (M49)

Scope of Appropriation

Information, Support and Regulatory Services - Local Government

Providing advisory and support services to the Local Government Commission in respect of its statutory functions, providing information to and about local government, administering the Local Government Act 2002 and other statutes, providing operational advice and support to the Minister of Local Government, administering the Local Electoral Act 2001, administering the Rates Rebate Scheme, providing regulatory and boating services for Lake Taupo, including providing the Harbourmaster and managing the Lake Taupo Landing Reserve, governance and management of the National Dog Control Information Database.

Policy Advice - Local Government

Provision of policy advice on, and information relating to, local government issues, including ministerial correspondence and questions.

Explanation for Use of Multi-Class Output Expense Appropriation

Both outputs contribute to the effective governance and support for New Zealand's Local Government sector.

Expenses and Revenue

	2010/11			
	Estimates \$000	Supplementary Estimates \$000	Total \$000	
Total Appropriation	10,154	306	10,460	
Information, Support and Regulatory Services - Local Government	3,513	(14)	3,499	
Policy Advice - Local Government	6,641	320	6,961	
Revenue from Crown	9,247	306	9,553	
Information, Support and Regulatory Services - Local Government	2,676	(15)	2,661	
Policy Advice - Local Government	6,571	321	6,892	
Revenue from Other	886	-	886	
Information, Support and Regulatory Services - Local Government	817	-	817	
Policy Advice - Local Government	69	-	69	

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

This appropriation will increase by \$306,000 to \$10.460 million for 2010/11.

The decrease in Information, Support and Regulatory Services - Local Government output expense relates to a net decrease in attributable one-off shared services costs (\$14,000).

The increase in the Policy Advice - Local Government output expense relates to:

- A net increase in costs due to the integration of new functions and consequent restructuring of the Department of Internal Affairs (\$116,000).
- An expense transfer from 2009/10 to 2010/11 for the completion of Auckland Governance policy and legislation work and stakeholder management in the lead-up to the establishment of the Auckland Council (increase of \$103,000).
- A net increase in attributable one-off shared services costs (\$101,000).

Memorandum Account

	2010/11			
	Estimates \$000	Supplementary Estimates \$000	Total \$000	
Use of facilities and access to Lake Taupo by boat users				
Opening Balance at 1 July	84	(129)	(45)	
Revenue	345	(31)	314	
Expenses	335	24	359	
Transfers and Adjustments	-	-	-	
Closing Balance at 30 June	94	(184)	(90)	

Part 3 - Details for Benefits and Other Unrequited Expenses

Part 3.2 - Non-Departmental Benefits and Other Unrequited Expenses

Rates Rebate Scheme (M49)

Scope of Appropriation

Assistance with rates for low-income residential ratepayers.

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

This appropriation will increase by \$800,000 to \$57.800 million for 2010/11 due to an increase in the maximum rates rebate payment to householders as a result of the increase in GST.

Part 5 - Details and Expected Results for Other Expenses

Part 5.2 - Non-Departmental Other Expenses

Chatham Islands Council (M49)

Scope of Appropriation

Contribution to the cost of the Chatham Island Council meeting its statutory responsibilities.

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

This appropriation will increase by \$354,000 to \$2.551 million for 2010/11. The increase relates to:

- An expense transfer from 2009/10 to 2010/11 for the Chatham Islands solid waste management programme (increase of \$1.854 million).
- Partially offset by an expense transfer from 2010/11 to 2011/12 for the Chatham Islands solid waste management programme (decrease of \$1.500 million).

Part 6 - Details and Expected Results for Capital Expenditure

Part 6.2 - Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure

Loan to the Auckland Transition Agency (M49)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the payment of a loan to the Auckland Transition Agency to implement local government reorganisation in the Auckland region.

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

This appropriation will increase by \$29.034 million to \$69.827 million for 2010/11. The increase relates to:

- An increase in funding to provide the Auckland Transition Agency with an increased loan facility (\$22.800 million).
- An increase in funding to recognise a capital transfer from 2009/10 to 2010/11 due to changes in the funding requirements for the Auckland Transition Agency (\$6.234 million).