

WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL ... IN FOCUS

15 August 2019

Kia Tū, Kia Māia



STAND - Nominations close 16th August at noon!

COUNCIL IN FOCUS

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP GROUP

Wairoa's Community Partnership Group is becoming stronger and stronger which can only be good for our district.

At last week's meeting, we had a great turnout and it was fantastic to see a wide range of agencies and iwi representatives at the table.

The more we work with each other, the more we hear about the positive initiatives occurring in our district.

The Community Partnership Group provides united leadership and as we are seeing is responsible for building strong foundations.

The concept of the group was born out of a need to have representation from local, regional, intersectoral and interagency decision-makers who make decisions that have a bearing on the people of the Wairoa district.

Because we are meeting and talking everyone knows what is going on and we are strengthening our community by building off each other.

We always expected it would take a while for the group to get off the ground and earlier this year the group was really gaining traction.

That progress has now been propelled forward again and it is just great to see so many key representatives all working towards the best outcomes for our district.

Council CEO Steven May says "it was always expected to take a while to get off the ground and to get a diverse group of people with different agendas all walking in the same direction, and we have now achieved that."

3 WATERS

The Government's announcement of an enhanced regulatory framework and new standards for the management of drinking water, wastewater and stormwater (3 Waters) will be a massive gamechanger for the whole of New Zealand.

While it is vital that we have robust and consistent systems in place, I shudder to think of the outcomes and costs that are likely to come with the final regulatory requirements.

The Wairoa District Council is part of a regional approach along with Central Hawke's Bay District Council, Hastings District Council, Hawke's Bay Regional Council and the Napier City Council.

We are working together to review the current and potential 3 Waters service delivery options for Hawke's Bay, and while it is still early days, the Councils now have more clarification around the direction the review is heading.

Council CEO Steven May says "the investment and regulatory compliance required across Hawke's Bay is significant, so understanding the scale of capital, operational and regulatory requirements for 3 Waters across the whole region means we can evaluate the opportunities for us to work together.

"The first phase of the review has involved defining key principles and objectives, an assessment of the current state of 3 Waters service delivery across the region and preliminary analysis of potential options.

For more information on the 3 Waters review head to <https://www.dia.govt.nz/Three-waters-review>.

VEHICLE FLEET

Council has not had a safe vehicle storage space in the past, so staff have traditionally taken vehicles home to keep them safe.

We have now received a quote for the construction of a secure parking yard next to the main Council office.

Council aims to reduce the overall vehicle fleet and increase the use of pool vehicles to gain efficiency.

A financial analysis has indicated the expected savings by reducing the vehicle fleet will self-fund the construction of a secure parking area.

Already Council has removed three vehicles from the fleet for a total saving of \$105K plus operating costs.

Our district is vast, and vehicles are necessary, but it is also essential we regularly review our operations and rationalise our assets.

LOCAL ELECTIONS 2019

KIA TŪ, KIA MĀIA - VOTE 2019

If you want to stand for Council or Mayor please ensure to put your nominations in by tomorrow, Friday 16th August at noon.

Also, the electoral rolls close on the same day at 4pm. After that date, anyone not enrolled will have to contact their local Council to arrange a special vote.

To find out more about standing as a candidate, what to supply with your nomination form and to find nomination forms, visit the Wairoa District Council website.

www.wairoadc.govt.nz, search for #elections

BELIEVE IN A STRONG WAIROA?



Kia Tū, Kia Māia

EVERY ONE OF US COUNTS.

STAND, ENROL, VOTE!

Whatever you believe is best for Wairoa, make sure that your opinion is heard. Enrol and vote.

Wairoa. If it matters to you, it matters to vote.



FOR YOUR DIARY

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Tue, 20 August: 1.30pm

COUNCIL MEETING

Tue, 3 September: 1.30pm

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Tue, 10 September: 1.30pm

MĀORI STANDING COMMITTEE

Thur, 12 September: 12.30pm



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CONSULTATION ON FREEDOM CAMPING BYLAW

Council is considering whether it should adopt amendments to the Wairoa District Council Consolidated Bylaw Part 9 – Freedom Camping.

MAKE A SUBMISSION

Closes 30th August 2019, 4.30pm



CONSULTATION ON HAWKE'S BAY DISASTER RELIEF TRUST

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