

VOTING OPEN NOW

Those eligible to vote in this year's local body election should now have received their voting papers through the mail service.

Voting papers were posted to enrolled voters between September 16 and yesterday. If you are a registered voter and have not received your voting papers, please contact the Wairoa District Council Electoral Officer Juanita Savage on 06 838 7309. Voting closes at midday on Saturday October 8. If you are returning your voting paper by mail, you are advised to post your voting paper in a NZ Post Box before Tuesday, October 4, to reach the electoral officer before the close of voting.

Locally the Wairoa District Council is made up of a Mayor, who is elected at large, and six councillors. The councillor seats are split into three Māori Ward seats and three General Ward seats.

As well as voting in the Wairoa District Council election, Wairoa voters will be able to vote for the Wairoa representative on the Hawke's Bay Regional Council, and for those on the Māori Electoral Roll, the new northern ward seat.

To be able to vote in the upcoming Wairoa District Council election you need to be registered on the Parliamentary Roll. If you don't think you are registered to vote or want to check your details head to www.vote.nz to check your details. Anyone wanting to vote who is not enrolled may need to arrange a special vote by contacting the Wairoa District Council Electoral Officer Juanita Savage at the Council by phoning 06 838 7309.

The Wairoa District Council website also has a range of electoral information including answers to Frequently Asked Questions, www.wairoadc.govt.nz

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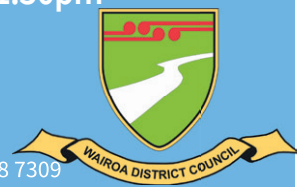
FINANCE, AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE
Tuesday 27th September 1.30pm

YOUTH COUNCIL
Monday 3rd October 3.30pm

COUNCIL FORUM
Tuesday 4th October 1.30pm

CONTACT US

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HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT VOTING?

What if I haven't received my voting papers in the mail?

Contact the electoral officer on 06 838 7309.

When I have filled in my voting papers where do I send them?

Put them in the postage paid return envelope included in your voting pack.

I have lost my return envelope?

You can use an envelope of your own and put the return address and Freepost number on it. You will not need to put a stamp on the envelope if you write the Freepost number on the envelope.

Freepost number 4170
The Electoral Office
Wairoa District Council
PO Box 5135
Victoria Street West
Auckland 1142

I spoiled my voting documents/I have made a mistake on my documents. What can I do?

If you can amend it so that your voting intention is clear, then do so. If necessary, we can issue you with a special voting document. Call the electoral officer on 06 838 7309.

What's the last day to put my voting papers in the mail?

We recommend putting them in the post no later than Tuesday 4 October to ensure they reach the electoral office before votes close on Saturday 8 October.

Is there a ballot box I can put my voting papers instead of the mail?

Yes. There is a secure ballot box located at the Council office, Coronation Square, Queen Street, Wairoa. They will then be delivered to Independent Election Services Limited in Auckland for processing and counting.

I am on the unpublished Parliamentary Roll, and I want a special vote please.

Call the electoral officer on 06 838 7309 and request a special vote.

HAWKE'S BAY 2022

LOCAL ELECTIONS



key info

VOTING PAPERS

Will be sent by mail to all eligible voters on the electoral roll from **Friday, 16 September 2022.**

If you do not receive a voting paper in the mail, or spoil your voting paper, contact the Electoral Officer and ask about casting a special vote.

VOTING OPENS FRIDAY 16 SEPTEMBER

VOTING CLOSES 12 NOON, SATURDAY 8 OCTOBER

VOTING VIA MAIL

If returning your voting paper by mail you must post your papers in a NZ Post box **before Tuesday, 4 October** to reach the Electoral Officer before the closing of voting on 8 October.

You can also drop your completed voting paper into a ballot box. For more info, and for a full list of ballot box locations, visit your local council website.

ELECTION TIMELINE

- ✓ Consider being a candidate
Until Friday 15 July, 2022
- ✓ Candidate nominations open
Friday 15 July, 2022
- ✓ Candidate nominations close
12 noon, Friday 12 August, 2022
- ✓ Candidates announced
Wednesday 17 August, 2022
- ✓ Final Electoral Roll certified by Electoral Officer
Monday 12 September, 2022
- ✓ Voting papers sent to enrolled voters
16-21 September, 2022
- 📌 Voting opens
16 September-8 October, 2022
- 📅 Official results declared
14-19 October, 2022