



A significant drop-out on Hunt Road, Ohuka, was completed as part of weather-related roading recovery work.

Investing in Wairoa's roading connectivity

Millions of dollars' worth of repair and reinstatement work is being pumped into the Wairoa roading network.

Wairoa District Council has secured an overall total of \$94 million worth of external funding to repair road damage caused in six separate weather events, including Cyclone Gabrielle. The funding is around roading recovery and does not include the initial response work.

Wairoa District Council Chief Executive Matt Lawson said Wairoa's roading network has been absolutely hammered over the last few years. "We have had tremendous support from NZTA through a series of different subsidy rates from 100% funding for the Te Reinga Bridge rebuild, 97.5% for the Waikare (Glenbrook) Bridge and 88% for some resilience projects.

"There is a very strict criteria around emergency works, and we are fortunate that through our relationships with NZTA, security of access for Wairoa's rural communities has been recognised."

"The Council is committed to undertaking a comprehensive roading recovery programme that will restore a reliable and resilient roading network for our district.

"Over the last few years, we have recorded 122 dropouts, 42 bridges from minor to extreme damage and hundreds of landslips, which all meet the funding criteria.

"In Cyclone Gabrielle, the initial response work alone came to \$48 million. Our district comprises 875km of roads and 175 bridges. We can't be everywhere at once, but we want to reassure the community that we are working towards a goal where improving accessibility and reducing risk are the priorities.

"We have a planned and prioritised approach, but it is expected the total works that we have secured funds for will take three to four years to complete, provided we do not have any other significant weather events.

"Thank you to those communities and people who are patiently waiting for work to be carried out. We have not forgotten you."



A land slump took out half the corridor on a section of Cricklewood Road, with the road realigned by retreating into the hill.



Recovery work in progress on Woodlands Road.

COUNCIL MEETINGS COUNCIL FORUM

Tuesday, July 22, 10am

ORDINARY COUNCIL

Tuesday, July 22, 1.30pm

FINANCE, ASSURANCE, AND RISK COMMITTEE

Tuesday, July 29, 12.30pm

STRATEGY, WELLBEING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Tuesday, August 5, 10am

TE ROHE O TE WAIROA RESERVES BOARD MATANGIRAU

Tuesday, August 5, 1pm

INFRASTRUCTURE AND REGULATORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, August 12, 10am



Resident and ratepayer survey underway

The Wairoa District Council's quarterly resident and ratepayer survey is now open and will run until 5pm on July 22.

The survey is an opportunity for the Council to gather information that will help us better understand what we are doing well and what needs improvement.

We welcome as many people as possible to please complete the survey: <https://feedback.askyourteam.com/5R8aKh1>

Now Showing

June 17 - July 24

Jurassic World Rebirth

M | 2hr 14m

Thursday 17th July 5.30pm

Thursday 24th July 5.30pm

Karate Kid: Legends

PG | 1hr 58m

Friday 18th July 5.30pm

Superman PREMIERE

M | 2hr 9m

Friday 18th July 8pm

Wednesday 23rd July 5.30pm

How to Train Your Dragon

PG | 1hrs 56m

Saturday 19th July 2pm

Kōkā

M | 1hr 40m

Saturday 19th July 5.30pm

Elio

PG | 1hr 39m

Sunday 20th July 11.30am

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