



## CATCH UP WITH MAYOR CRAIG **kanohi ki te kanohi** face to face

If you have anything you would like to discuss with the Mayor, please call the council offices on 06 838 7309 to arrange a meeting time. The Mayor is available to meet on Wednesdays or by appointment.

## FROM MAYOR CRAIG LITTLE WAIROA FLOOD MITIGATION PROJECT

Significant progress is being made on the Wairoa Flood Mitigation Project.

Managed by Crown Manager Lawrence Yule, the project involves the construction of a spillway and stopbanks, to help mitigate the severity of future flooding in North Clyde.

We remain grateful to the government for the \$70 million ringfenced for Wairoa for flood mitigation work.

Progress is being made across land access negotiations, cultural assessments, and technical design work, bringing the project closer to its 2025/26 summer construction start target.

This project will enable the North Clyde properties currently categorised as provisional 2C to be released to Category 1. This will be a game-changer for North Clyde, enabling home and business owners to rebuild their lives with confidence and certainty.

I would especially like to thank those landowners whose land is directly impacted by this project and who have made the decision to allow access to their whenua. We acknowledge, respect

and thank you for your commitment to helping protect our town.

It was great to see 41 properties along the Frasertown Road recategorised from provisional Category 2C to Category 1. This followed technical assessments, which confirmed that flooding in the area came from the Awatere Stream/Paeroa Drainage Scheme, rather than the Wairoa River. This is excellent news for these property owners.

Meanwhile, the detailed design of protection measures on the south side of the river near Mitchell Road is also being finalised.

## MĀHANGA WATER SUPPLY RESTRICTIONS

Māhanga Beach residents are being asked to restrict use of the non-potable Māhanga supply water over the busy summer period.

The restriction will take effect from December 1, as the water supply is already experiencing supply issues. Council will notify residents when the restriction is lifted.

The restrictions are vital to ensure the continued availability of Māhanga's water supply for essential needs, particularly in the event of a fire emergency.

The Māhanga water supply is non-potable, and as a precaution, all water from the Māhanga supply should be boiled.

The restriction is in accordance with Section 7.3 of the Water Supply Bylaw 2022, with the following outdoor Council-supplied water use activities prohibited from December 1 2025: watering of lawns and gardens, car/boat washing, filling of pools, fountains, or other water features, and any other outdoor water uses.

Thank you to the Māhanga community for your support.

## RECYCLE ME DROP OFF POINT

Bring your household batteries (Lithium and alkaline batteries: AA, AAA, 9v, D, coin batteries), old vapes, cell phones and their chargers to our Queen Street office to be recycled. Recycling these items help keep them out of our landfill where they can cause fires.

This service is available  
Monday - Friday 8am - 4.30pm.

For more information go to [www.wairoadc.govt.nz/services/rubbish-and-recycling/where-to-recycle-unwanted-items](http://www.wairoadc.govt.nz/services/rubbish-and-recycling/where-to-recycle-unwanted-items)

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

### COUNCIL FORUM

Tuesday, December 16, 10am

### ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Tuesday, December 16, 1pm

## SUPPORT FOR LOCAL BUSINESS

Hawke's Bay Chamber of Commerce is offering support to businesses.

If you are interested in speaking with them, please email your name and phone number to [ed@wairoadc.govt.nz](mailto:ed@wairoadc.govt.nz)



## GET YOUR FIX – GET DESEXING

Did you know that you may be able to get your dog spayed or neutered free of charge?

Thanks to sponsorship by the Fred Lewis Foundation Charitable Trust, if you meet the conditions, the cost of de-sexing your dog could be free.

Desexing can help prevent unwanted pregnancies and reduce stress. It also helps mitigate dog behavioural issues, aggression, and wandering instincts.

Desexing, also referred to as neutering, spaying, or sterilisation, involves

the surgical removal of the animal's reproductive system to prevent breeding or having babies.

Desexing is the best way we can reduce the number of unwanted dogs and puppies. All procedures are carried out in Wairoa by a veterinarian.

Please contact the Council and ask to speak with one of our compliance team members to determine if you qualify for a free desexing voucher for your dog. In most cases, Community Service and Gold Card holders will meet the criteria.

## The GAIETY Now Showing

November 27 - December 4

### Zootopia 2 PREMIERE

G | 1hrs 48m  
Thursday 27th November 5.30pm  
Saturday 29th November 2pm  
Wednesday 3rd December 5.30pm

### Wicked: For Good

PG | 2hr 18m  
Saturday 29th November 5.30pm

### A Paw Patrol Christmas

G | 1hr 6m  
Sunday 30th November 11.30am

### Five Night's at Freddy's 2 PREMIERE

TBC | 1hr 44m  
Thursday 4th December 5.30pm

### Pike River

M | 2hr 11m  
Sunday 30th November 2pm

### Predator: Badlands

R16 | 1hr 50m  
Friday 28th November 8pm

### Now You See Me Now You Don't

M | 1hr 52m  
Friday 28th November 5.30pm

Tickets from \$12

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# MUSIC THROUGH THE DECADES

**Saturday, 13 December**

**Market: 9am - 1.30pm**

**Parade: 2pm**

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