



Photo: Jason Mills

Say what?

We need to do a representation review

Every six years we have to look at how many councillors we have in each of our three wards (Paeroa, Waihi and Hauraki Plains), and across the district overall. This is to make sure we have the right amount of people around the Council table to fairly represent the number of people that live in each of our communities.

Under the Local Electoral Act 2001 we have to consider some strict criteria around effective and fair representation, and then talk to you about whether or not we meet this criteria, and if we don't, what changes you think we could make.

The Local Government Commission will then consider the Council resolutions, public feedback and objections and make a decision. Its decision may allow for exceptions from the rules.

This is called a representation review.

What we need to find out

Our focus recently has been on our Long Term Plan but now these discussions are almost finished

we're turning our attention to the representation review.

You know your communities best, so it's important we work alongside you and find out what you want, before we make any recommendations to the Local Government Commission.

What we know already

We can see already that councillor numbers don't quite stack up in the Waihi Ward, and that we've also got more councillors overall than most other councils in the country when you take into account our population.

One of the options the Local Government Commission will want us to look at in relation to this, is whether or not our communities are open to the possibility of changing ward boundaries.

We'll talk to communities where this could be considered over the next month, before coming up with some options for the wider community to think about later this year.

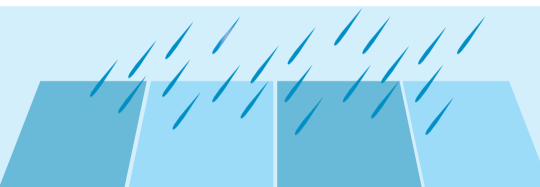
Come and chat to the Mayor and Councillors

Monday 11 June
6.30pm to 8.00pm
Victoria Hall
Waikino

Would you be open to the possibility of changing the Waihi ward boundary?

We believe the current ward system works well but we can't assume to make decisions about this on your behalf.

We'd like to know what you think. All welcome.



Library entrance to go *undercover*

We're building a new canopy over the back door of the Waihi Library and Service Centre to protect you better from winter weather.

Work is expected to start within the next 2 weeks.

The rear entrance will be temporarily closed while this work takes place, but you will be able to use the front entrance instead.

Access from the rear parking area to the front entrance is available via a walkway between the shops.

The work is expected to take about 3 weeks to complete.

We appreciate your patience while we carry out this work and apologise for any inconvenience.

"We know it is **WET**,
and the sun is not
SUNNY

So we're building a **CANOPY**,
to stop the rain that is **RUNNY**"

Dr Suess (with a few bits from us!)



Hauraki Coromandel Business Awards 2018

Launched for the first time last year, the Hauraki Coromandel Business Awards provide an opportunity to acknowledge the contribution our businesses are making here, and on the global stage.

Last year's Supreme Award winner AgriSea NZ Ltd General Manager Tane Bradley says the experience was incredibly worthwhile. He encourages all local businesses to throw their hats in the ring.

"What a fantastic opportunity to reflect on our own systems and processes, but also to be part of something bigger than us. The absolute highlight for me was to celebrate with other businesses doing all kinds of great things within our community. We're all so busy running our own companies it's easy to forget to stop and share our successes and learnings with each other. This is what the awards are all about."

Applications now open!

Want to know more?

www.haurakicoromandelbusinessawards.co.nz



"This is all about recognising and showcasing the hard work and achievements of our local businesses, and the important contribution they make to our communities. It's amazing what's happening, right here, under our noses in Hauraki. The calibre of last year's entrants blew me away, and I can't wait to see what our business community comes up with this time round." Mayor John Tregidga

Change to refuse collection dates

Due to Monday, 4 June 2018 being a public holiday - **Queen's Birthday** - collection dates will be one day later than normal next week (4 to 10 June).

