



HDC NEWS



PUBLIC NOTICE



HAURAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE AND LEVY RATES 2002/2003

Pursuant to Section 110 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the Hauraki District Council at a meeting to be held at William Street, Paeroa on 29 August 2002 commencing at 10.00 am to make and levy the following rates (GST inclusive) for the year commencing on 1 July 2002 and ending on 30 June 2003.

GENERAL RATES

Pursuant to Section 12 and 19 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, the following general rates be made for the purpose of funding democracy, refuse disposal, roading, planning and environmental services, and other sundry activity:

> Uniform Annual General Charge

On every separately rateable property within the District, a uniform annual general charge of \$230 per property.

> Differential General Rates

Differential general rates as set out below to be made and levied on the capital value of all rateable properties within the Hauraki District in the various differential rating categories as specified in a Special Order to be confirmed by the Council on 29 August 2002.

	Rate in the \$
Residential and Rural Land Use Properties	.23207
Commercial, Industrial and Utility Land Use Properties	.53376
Mineral Extraction Properties	2.26037
Mining Land Use Properties	7.19419
Revenue sought	\$6,145,293

COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND PARKS AND RESERVES SEPARATE RATE

Pursuant to Sections 16 and 20 of the Rating Powers Act 1988 the following works and services rates be made for the purpose of funding community facilities, parks and reserves:

> Separate Uniform Annual Charge

On every separately rateable property within each of the following Wards a separate uniform annual charge per property as follows:

Plains Ward	\$176.50
Paeroa Ward	\$258.00
Waihi Ward	\$287.50

Revenue Sought \$1,932,000

HALL RATES

For the purpose of funding the maintenance and improvement of community halls.

a) Kaihere Hall Special Rate

Pursuant to Section 16 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, a separate rate of 0.00902 cents in the \$ be levied on land value of all land in the Kaihere Hall rating area of the District.

Revenue sought \$2,200

b) Patetonga Hall Special Rate

Pursuant to Section 16 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, a separate rate of 0.00597 cents in the \$ be levied on land value of all land in the Patetonga Hall rating area of the District.

Revenue sought \$1,580

c) Pursuant to Section 611 of the Local Government Act 1974, uniform annual fees be levied on each dwelling unit situated in the community centre special rating area of the District as listed below.

Community Centre Area	Uniform Annual Fee	Revenue Sought
Karangahake	\$15.00	\$1,845
Kerepehi Community Hall Levy	\$10.00	\$2,750
Tirohia	\$12.25	\$625
Turua	\$13.00	\$4,700
Waikino	\$22.50	\$4,115
Waitakaruru	\$22.50	\$4,880
Hikutai	\$22.50	\$2,500

LAND DRAINAGE RATES

Pursuant to Sections 16, 92 and 93 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, the following land drainage rates be made for the purpose of funding the

Council's land drainage operations and maintenance works in the respective drainage districts:

a) Eastern Plains Drainage District

0.1565 cents in the \$ on the land value of all rateable property in the Hauraki South and Hauraki United Drainage Special rating areas.

Revenue sought \$271,520

b) Western Plains Drainage District

1. Hauraki West Drainage Area

On the land value of all rateable property in the several subdivisions as classified:

Ngatea Township Subdivision 0.2147 cents in the \$
Ngatea/Piropia Subdivision 0.2246 cents in the \$

Waitakaruru Subdivision

Class A : 0.5094 cents in the \$
Class C : 0.3396 cents in the \$
Class E : 0.1698 cents in the \$

Miranda Subdivision

Class A : 0.6624 cents in the \$
Class C : 0.4416 cents in the \$

Boom Road Subdivision

Class A : 0.7173 cents in the \$
Class C : 0.4782 cents in the \$
Class E : 0.2391 cents in the \$

2. Pouarua-Patetonga Drainage Area

On the area system of rating as classified:

Class A : \$26.56 per hectare
Class B : \$11.62 per hectare
Class C : \$3.32 per hectare
Class D : \$1.66 per hectare

Revenue sought \$607,229

c) Komata North Drainage District

On the land value of all rateable property as classified:

Class A : 0.2410 cents in the \$
Class B : 0.1684 cents in the \$
Class C : 0.09308 cents in the \$

Revenue sought \$31,325

d) Opukeko Drainage District

On the land value of all rateable property as classified:

Class A : 0.7154 cents in the \$
Class B : 0.6132 cents in the \$
Class C : 0.1022 cents in the \$

Revenue sought \$15,094

e) Tirohia-Rotokohu Drainage District

On the land value of all rateable property as classified:

Class A : 0.5152 cents in the \$
Class B : 0.3864 cents in the \$
Class C : 0.1288 cents in the \$

Revenue sought \$68,725

URBAN STORMWATER DRAINAGE RATES

Pursuant to Sections 16 and 17 of the Rating Powers Act 1988 a stormwater drainage rate on land value be levied on a differential basis as follows for the purpose of funding the operations and maintenance of the Paeroa urban stormwater drainage system:

	Rate in the \$
Rural, Recreation and Cultural Land Use Over 10 Hectares	0.08720
Rural Land Use 10 Hectares and Under	0.2180
Other Land	0.4360
Revenue sought	\$176,820

WATER SUPPLY RATES

For the purpose of funding the operations, maintenance and improvement of respective water supplies and loan rates for the purpose of funding the repayment of loans in the various water supply areas.

Water supply by meter charges are billed separately twice yearly on varying dates in the various water supply areas.

a) Hauraki Plains Water Supply Area

Maintenance Rate

Pursuant to Sections 26 and 27 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, the following charges for the supply of water as measured by meter, during the billing period commencing 1 July 2002 be levied.

Ordinary Consumers

- An annual charge of \$60.00 for each water meter.
- A charge of 80 cents for each cubic metre of water supplied.

b) Kaimanawa/Maratoto Water Supply

Pursuant to Sections 26 and 27 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, the following charges be levied, for the supply of water as measured by meter, during the billing period commencing 1 July 2002.

- An annual charge of \$60.00 for each water meter.
- A charge of 60 cents for each cubic metre of water supplied.

c) Karangahake/Mackaytown Water Supply

Maintenance Rate

Pursuant to Sections 26 and 27 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, the following charges be levied for the supply of water as measured by meter, during the billing period commencing 1 July 2002 be levied.

- An annual charge of \$60.00 for each water meter.
- A charge of 70 cents for each cubic metre of water supplied.

Loan Rate

Pursuant to Section 16 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, a uniform separate water supply loan charge of \$84.00 in respect of every separately rateable property in the Karangahake Water Supply Special Rating Area that has not been subject to an election to make a lump sum contribution.

d) Ohinemuri Water Supply

Maintenance Rate

Pursuant to Sections 26 and 27 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, the following charges be levied for the supply of water as measured by meter, during the billing period commencing 1 July 2002.

Ordinary Consumers

- An annual charge of \$60.00 for each water meter.
- A charge of 60 cents for each cubic metre of water supplied.

Extraordinary Consumers

- An annual charge of \$60.00 for each water meter.
- A charge of \$1.00 for each cubic metre of water supplied.

e) Paeroa Water Supply

Maintenance Rate

That pursuant to Sections 26 and 27 of the Rating Powers Act 1988 the following charges be levied for the supply of water as measured by meter, during the billing period commencing 1 July 2002.

Ordinary Consumers

- An annual charge of \$60.00 for each water meter.
- A charge of 80 cents for each cubic metre of water supplied.

Extraordinary Consumers

- An annual charge of \$60.00 for each water meter.
- A charge of 48 cents per cubic metre of water supplied for the first 57000 cubic metres and 77 cents per cubic metre thereafter to property contained in Valuation Roll Number 5080/337.00.

f) Waihi Water Supply

Maintenance Rate

That pursuant to Sections 26 and 27 of the Rating Powers Act 1988 the following charges be levied for the supply of water by meter during the billing period commencing 1 July 2002:

- An annual charge of \$60.00 for each water meter.
- A charge of 80 cents per cubic metre of water supplied.

g) Waikino Water Supply

Maintenance Rate

That pursuant to Sections 26 and 27 of the Rating Powers Act 1988 the following charges be levied for the supply of water by meter during the billing period commencing 1 July 2002:

Ordinary Consumers

- An annual charge of \$60.00 for each water meter.
- A charge of 70 cents per cubic metre of water supplied.

Extraordinary Consumers

- An annual charge of \$60.00 for each water meter.
- In each billing period.
- A charge of 70 cents per cubic metre for the first 100 cubic metre of water supplied.
- A charge of 25 cents for each cubic metre of water supplied in excess of 100 cubic metres.

Revenue sought \$4,125,000

SEWERAGE MAINTENANCE CHARGES

Pursuant to Sections 17, 24 and 30 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, the following uniform annual charges be levied on each separately rateable property or water closet or urinal connected to the sewerage system, and where the property can be, but is not connected to the system the following half charges be made for the purpose of funding the operation and maintenance of sewerage works in the respective sewerage areas:

Non residential properties shall have the first two pans levied at 100% of the uniform annual charge. Additional pans up to 10 shall be levied 50% of the uniform annual charge. Additional pans, over 10, shall be levied 25% of the uniform annual charge.

a) Kerepehi Sewerage Special Rating Area

Residential Property or toilet pan equivalent connected to the sewer \$367.50
Property not connected but connectable \$183.75

Revenue sought \$77,080

b) Ngatea Township

Residential Property or toilet pan equivalent connected to the sewer \$330.00
Property not connected but connectable \$165.00

Revenue sought \$187,853

c) Waitakaruru Sewerage Special Rating Area

Residential Property or toilet pan equivalent connected to the sewer \$382.50
Property not connected but connectable \$191.25

Revenue sought \$5,546

d) Turua Sewerage Special Rating Area

Residential Property or toilet pan equivalent connected to the sewer \$375.00
Property not connected but connectable \$187.50

Revenue sought \$58,781

e) Paeroa Town Area - Property Contained in Valuation Roll Numbers 5001, 5002, 5003, 5004 and 5080

Residential Property or toilet pan equivalent connected to the sewer \$360.00
Property not connected but connectable \$180.00

Revenue sought \$713,340

f) Whiritoa Urban Drainage Area

Residential Property or toilet pan equivalent connected to the sewer \$382.50
Property not connected but connectable \$191.25

Revenue sought \$148,793

g) Waihi Town Area - Property Contained in Valuation Roll Numbers 5020, 5030 and 5050

Residential Property or toilet pan equivalent connected to the sewer \$315.00
Property not connected but connectable \$157.50

Revenue sought \$691,583

SEWERAGE LOAN RATES - Land Value

Pursuant to Section 16 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, separate loan rates be levied as follows for the purpose of funding the repayment of loans:

Paeroa Sewerage

A loan rate of 0.2539 cents in the \$ be levied on the land value of all land contained in Valuation Roll Numbers 5001, 5002, 5003 and 5004, to be distributed among the various classes of property in accordance with the differential rating system adopted by the former Paeroa Borough as follows:

Class A : 0.12266 cents in the \$
Class B : 0.47980 cents in the \$
Class C : 0.23974 cents in the \$
Class D : 0.27490 cents in the \$
Class F : 0.16295 cents in the \$
Special Sewer Loan 1970 : 0.012175 cents in the \$
Special Sewer Loan 1981 : 0.22257 cents in the \$

Revenue sought \$101,900

SEWERAGE LOAN RATES - Uniform Charge

Whiritoa Sewerage Loan Rate

Pursuant to Section 16 and 20 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, a uniform annual charge of \$200.00 be levied on each separately rateable property within the Whiritoa Sewerage Drainage Area that have not been subject to an election to make a lump sum contribution for the purpose of funding the repayment of loans.

Revenue sought \$9,000

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REFUSE COLLECTION CHARGE

Pursuant to Sections 17 and 24 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, the following uniform annual charges to be levied for the purpose of the collection and disposal of refuse in the respective areas:

a) Waihi, Waikino, Mackaytown/Karangahake, Ngatea and Paeroa

A uniform annual charge of \$45.00 for each separately used or inhabited portion of any property or building to which the Council is prepared to provide the service.

b) Whiritoa

A uniform annual charge of \$57.00 for each separately used or inhabited portion of any property or building to which the Council is prepared to provide the service contained in Valuation Roll No 5052.

Revenue sought \$234,750

AMENITY RATES

a) Positive Paeroa Co-ordinator

For the purpose of assisting with funding of the town promotion organisation Positive Paeroa.

Pursuant to Sections 16 and 20 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, a separate works rate of \$258.75 and known as Positive Paeroa Co-ordinator Separate Rate be levied on all Commercial and Industrial rateable properties as defined on the Plan HDCPCBD2001.

Revenue Sought \$39,350

b) Go Waihi Co-ordinator Separate Rate

For the purpose of providing an Events and Business Co-ordinator.

Pursuant to Sections 16 and 20 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, a separate works rate to be known as the Go Waihi Co-ordinator Separate Rate of \$359.00 be levied on each rateable property within the Waihi Central Business District as defined on Plan HDC/WCBD 1997.

Revenue sought \$31,050

c) Paeroa Information Centre Separate Rate

For the purpose of funding the Paeroa Information Centre pursuant to Section 16 and 20 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, a separate works rate to be known as the Paeroa Information Centre separate rate of \$34.00 on each separately rateable property in the Paeroa Town Centre Zone.

Revenue sought \$4,400

DUE DATE OF PAYMENT

The above rates and charges (other than water supply by meter charge), are due and payable to the Council Offices, William Street, Paeroa by way of three instalments, the dates of such instalments being:

Instalment No	Instalment Date Due and Payable	Last Date Before Penalty	Penalty Added
One	20 Oct 02	30 Oct 02	31 Oct 02
Two	20 Feb 03	26 Feb 03	27 Feb 03
Three	20 May 03	28 May 03	29 May 03

PENALTY FOR LATE PAYMENT

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with Section 132 of the Rating Powers Act 1988, additional charges on unpaid rates (penalties) will be added and shall be payable as follows:

1. An additional charge on unpaid rates of 10% of the instalment amount will be added on the day following the last date on which the instalment is payable without incurring additional charges (as shown above).
2. An additional charge of 10 % will be added to all rates levied in a previous year which remain unpaid on 1 September 2002.
3. A further additional charge of 10% will be added to all rates levied in a previous year which remain unpaid on 1 March 2003.

ESTIMATES AND VALUATION ROLL

In accordance with Sections 108 and 115 of the Rating Powers Act 1988 the valuation roll rate records on which the above rates and charges are based, are available for inspection during office hours at the Hauraki District Council, William Street, Paeroa.

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General Manager

Whiritoa Emergency Management Centre Representation

When the Whiritoa Emergency Management Centre was constructed, Council put in place a management committee consisting of three representatives from the Rural Fire Force, one from the library, one from the Ward Committee and one community representative appointed by the Mayor. There had been a suggestion that there should be two library representatives but the library chairman at the time did not think that that was necessary.

The library committee has recently requested that an extra library person be appointed to the committee. The Waihi Ward Committee was pleased to adhere to the

request as they felt that the more keen people on the committee the better.

Since the Centre was opened, the operation of the facility has been excellent. The Centre's committee meets on a regular basis and conducts its business in an efficient manner. For those who do not know Whiritoa, the facility is a combination of fire station, library and a community room like a small hall, which can be hired by community groups. The Centre is providing an important focal point for residents, which in turn bonds the community.

Saving Water

From time to time on this page we advocate water conservation. At this time, after one of the wettest periods many of us can remember, water conservation does not seem high on the priority list. It is, however, always important as renewal of resource consents for water supplies are often dependant on the Council demonstrating that it has done all things possible to reduce consumption and to conserve water for the environment and other users.

Figures on water consumption for our three main water supplies show extremely good downward trends and indicate the success of water conservation measures.

The first measure was water metering on the Waihi and Paeroa supplies. In the 1996-97 year Waihi consumers used 182 cubic metres per person per year. At this time the commercial and industrial users were on metres but the residential consumers were not. This is compared with an average of 240 cubic metres per person per year on smaller non-metered supplies. In the 2001-2002 year, now that the town is fully metered, consumption was 124 cubic metres per person per year. In Paeroa, the story is similar. Going from 220 to 137 cubic metres per person per year over the same period.

It is thought that the main reason for these drops is that large water bills are very good for focusing the mind

toward getting leaks and dripping taps fixed. Recent indications that there was a major leak in the Waikino supply have caused Council to search diligently for such a leak. While we have fixed a few small ones the situation had not improved until May when there was a sudden drop in consumption. Staff are speculating that someone has found that leak and fixed it, as the Waikino consumption still shows a downward trend.

In the Hauraki Plains area there has been a 27% drop in the consumption figures for June over the previous June average. Although the wet weather may have been partly responsible for this, it is thought to be largely attributable to the installation of the remote pressure control system for the Kerepehi water treatment plant. This ensures that no more pressure than is necessary is in the pipes, which, in turn, means that any leaks do not waste as much water as before.

It appears that these two measures - the installation of water meters and the remote pressure system - have greatly reduced the consumption of water in our district. It is up to each individual to be responsible enough to continue to make efforts to keep water consumption at a reasonable level so that there is always enough for all, including the environment.

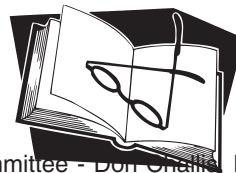
Community Support Trust Fire System

The Paeroa Community Support Trust, which operates the Paeroa Skate and Leisure Centre, has applied to the Paeroa Ward Committee for help in paying for the upgrades to the fire alarm system. The building is owned by council and any improvement of the system is seen as an asset which the council would like to remain in the building should the Support Trust vacate.

Elected Members' Diary

Week of 12th to 18th August 2002.

Thursday 15th August: Morning - Works Committee - Don Orville, Ian Troughton, Sel Baker, Bryan Dunn, Bronwyn Wightman, Basil Morrison. Afternoon - Planning and Finance Committee - Mary Carmine, John Tregidga, Mike Hayden, Valda Laurich, Don Lockwood, Gil Munro, Basil Morrison.



PUBLIC NOTICE



Pursuant to Section 46 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, public notice is given that the following special meeting will be held for the purposes of a presentation from the Waihi Underground Working Party on the report on the underground mine workings in Waihi.

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
Thursday 22 August 2002, 1.00 pm
Council Chambers, William Street Paeroa

Pursuant to Section 46 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, public notice is given that the following special meeting will be held for the purposes of discussing an offer from Waihi Gold Mining Company Ltd.

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
Friday 9 August 2002, 10.00 am
Council Chambers, William Street Paeroa

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GENERAL MANAGER

Had a stomach bug?

You can catch stomach bugs through direct contact, droplets from breathing and sneezing, contaminated food and contaminated water. Many incidences are preventable.

The different types of bugs that cause stomach upsets are collectively called pathogens. Pathogens fall into four basic categories, bacteria, viruses, protozoa and helminths (worms). It is usually difficult to prove how and where you caught that pathogen, but most likely sources are food or water contaminated as a result of inadequate hygiene precautions or unhygienic food preparation.

Giardia and Cryptosporidium are very small protozoa and Camphylobacter are bacteria that can be passed on to humans from stock, domestic pets and other animals by direct contact with excrement or by being washed into streams and rivers, entering a drinking water supply. Cryptosporidiosis, the illness caused by Cryptosporidium, Giardia infection, and Camphylobacter infections all have similar symptoms which include abdominal cramps and diarrhoea. Illness may last anything from a few days to four weeks.

Effective chlorination of water supplies gets rid of Camphylobacter and also Giardia under optimal conditions but does not kill Cryptosporidium. Measures needed to eliminate Cryptosporidium include high quality water treatment, microfiltration or boiling.

Around this time of the year there is an increase in the number of occurrences of these pathogens and this is linked to calving time. So far this year there have been 427 known cases of Camphylobacteriosis, 85 of Giardiasis and 9 of Cryptosporidiosis reported to the Waikato Area Health Board, and each year there is a marked increase of infections around calving times, probably due to greater contact with animals in our rural communities.

As prevention is better than cure for these diseases please take great care when preparing and storing food. Wash hands with plenty of soapy water and dry on a clean towel after toilet visits and after handling animals. Boiling water for 15 minutes is regarded as sufficient to kill Giardia and Cryptosporidium cysts. If your water supply is of uncertain quality, microfiltration, distillation or boiling your drinking water would provide protection.