



HDC NEWS



PRE-SCHOOL STORY TIME @ THE LIBRARY

To mark New Zealand Book Month Hauraki District Libraries will be holding a special pre-schoolers story time. Our story tellers will entertain the children with some great stories kindly provided to us by Hachette Livre New Zealand. We'd love for you to join us.

Storytimes:

Ngatea Library: 10am, Wednesday Sept 26 Ph:8670000
 Paeroa Library: 11am, Friday Sept 28 Ph: 8627194
 Waihi Library: 1pm, Friday Sept 28 Ph: 8638316

For more information or to register your interest call in or phone

We aim to make story time a regular event from now on too.

Elected Members' Diary

Meetings for the week of the 24th to the 30th September 2007

Monday 24th September - District Plan Committee Meeting
 Thursday 27th September - Full Council Meeting and forward works programme workshop.

WHIRITOA PLAYGROUND

Council is planning to spend \$53,000 to upgrade the Whiritoa Playground. The Waihi Ward Committee has been looking through catalogues of playground equipment to select the best value and the most fun that can be extracted from that amount of money. Once selected, the equipment will be ordered and hopefully installed before the holiday period.

REVOKING OLD BYLAWS

As part of the process of reviewing the bylaws, Council, at its last meeting, agreed to revoke all the old and obsolete bylaws that have become redundant with the new consolidated bylaw. Many of these dated back well before amalgamation and while some related to things like the width of tyres on horse drawn vehicles, bullock teams and traction engines, others have become redundant because other national legislation, such as the Health Act and the Building Act, has covered the issue.

The matter will go out for public consultation along with other proposed sections of the consolidated bylaw so if you feel that some of these old bylaws should remain you may make a submission.

SALE OF LIQUOR POLICY

Council has adopted its Sale of Liquor Policy after submissions had been heard. The new policy cuts back opening hours for licensed premises to a 1am closing time. This will only apply to new licenses and premises can apply for extended hours for special occasions.

EDAY 2007

Electronic waste (e-waste) can seriously harm the environment, wildlife and human health when dumped in landfills. eDay is a simple, free and effective way to dispose of your household computer waste and old mobile phones in an environmentally sustainable way.

Saturday September 29th is eDay for the Waikato Region, to coincide with this event, Hauraki District Council will have collection points in Waihi and Paeroa for e-waste.

What can I bring? computer hardware • monitors • networking equipment • scanners • keyboards • computer mouse • computer speakers • laptops • printers • toner and ink jet cartridges • game consoles • mobile phones

Please remove all data from your computer's hard drive and any removable media such as CDs. We are unable to accept televisions, stereos, appliances and furniture. We reserve the right to reject items that are not computer related.

Collections at:

Paeroa (RTS) Refuse Transfer Station on Grey Street
 Old Waihi Information Centre on Seddon Street (next to the Salvation Army)
 Thursday and Friday (27th & 28th) 12pm - 2pm
 Saturday (29th) 9am - 12pm

For all enquiries please phone the Hauraki District Council on 0800 734 834 or 07 862 8609

PUBLIC NOTICES

SALE OF LIQUOR POLICY CLASS 4 GAMBLING VENUE POLICY

Pursuant to section 83 of the Local Government Act, notice is given that the Sale of Liquor Policy and the Class 4 Gambling Venue Policy have been reviewed via the Special Consultative Procedure and were adopted at a meeting of Council on 13th September 2007.

Copies of the adopted Sale of Liquor policy and the adopted Class 4 Gambling Venue Policy are available at Council offices; by contacting 07 862 8609 or 0800 734 834 (from within the District); or by downloading from Councils website www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz

CONTESTABLE FUND - SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES

As a result of the Hauraki Community Plan 2006-16 consultation process, it was identified that there are a large number of social services stakeholders in the Hauraki District that may require assistance from Council from time to time. In order to continue to assist community and social service organisations and individuals most effectively, while ensuring that we make the best use of public money, remembering that Council gets its money from ratepayers, Council has set up a Contestable Social Fund.

This allows Council to distribute community assistance to the social services sector of the Hauraki District fairly and transparently, as everyone knows from the outset how much money is available for these purposes and each application can be judged against the others that are competing for the money.

The Contestable Fund is available to Hauraki's Social Services sectors to deliver activities that can demonstrate benefit/s for Hauraki District as a whole and are focussed on the completion of community projects

As of next Tuesday (2nd October), an application form and the policy that will provide you with direction of whether or not you may be eligible will be available from Councils website www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz or by calling the Hauraki District Council on 07 862 8609 or 0800 734 834 (from within the District).

Hauraki District Council Consolidated Bylaw Part 4 (Trade waste and Waste water) (Summary Statement of Proposal)

Council currently has a number of bylaws that are out dated. To ensure these are current and reflect the current situation of the Hauraki Community, Hauraki District Council is reviewing all existing bylaws. Rather than having a number of different bylaws, Council has chosen to have one consolidated bylaw.

Council recently adopted the first parts of the consolidated bylaw, being that of Introductory part, the Public Safety part and the Land Transport part. Council is now seeking feedback on the proposed Trade Waste and Waste Water parts to the consolidated bylaw. This part generally consists of a combination of previous bylaws in existence in the Hauraki District Council boundaries, prior to amalgamation and bylaws that have been made since establishment of the District.

In summary the proposed changes to Council's existing separate bylaws include:

- Acceptance of long-term, intermittent, or temporary discharge of trade waste to the sewerage system;
- Establishment of three grades of trade waste: permitted; conditional; and prohibited.
- Evaluation of individual trade waste discharges against specified criteria;
- Correct storage of materials to protect the sewerage system from spillage;
- Installation of flow meters, samplers or other devices to measure flow and quality characteristics of the trade waste discharge;
- Pre-treatment of waste before acceptance for discharge into the sewerage system;
- Sampling and monitoring of trade waste discharges to ensure compliance with standards;
- Council accepting or refusing trade waste discharge;
- Charges to be set to cover the cost of conveying, treating and disposing of, or reusing, trade waste and wastewater and the associated costs of administration and monitoring;
- Establishment of waste minimization and management programmes (including sludges) for trade waste producers.
- Acceptance of wastewater drainage from domestic and trade premises to the sewerage system.

The Statement of Proposal will be available at all offices and libraries of the Council for the period 18th September to 19th November 2007. It will also be available on the Council website www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz. Public submissions on the Statement of Proposal are invited to be delivered to the Council offices or mailed to Hauraki District Council, PO Box 17, Paeroa by 19th November, 2007. Submissions may also be emailed to submissions@hauraki-dc.govt.nz

PUBLIC NOTICES

Pursuant to Section 46 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, public notice is hereby given that the following meetings will be held during the month of October 2007.

All meetings are to be held in the Council Chambers, Williams Street, Paeroa *unless otherwise advised.

CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE WATER & WASTES
 TUESDAY 2 OCTOBER 2007, 10.00AM

HEARINGS COMMITTEE
 THURSDAY 4 OCTOBER 2007, 9.00 AM (if required)
 WEDNESDAY 10 OCTOBER 2007, 9.00AM

TUESDAY 9 OCTOBER 2007, WARD COMMITTEES
 PLAINS 9.00 AM
 PAEROA 12.30 PM
 WAIHI 2.30 PM

COUNCIL MEETING
 THURSDAY 11 OCTOBER 2007, 9.00 AM

Further Council and Committee meeting dates will be scheduled following the October 13th Local Government Triennial Elections.

WESTERN PLAINS DISTRICT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE
 WEDNESDAY 25 OCTOBER 2007, 10.30 AM

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Hauraki District Council Consolidated Bylaw Part 5 (Water Supply) Part 6 (Cemeteries) Hauraki District Council Fire Prevention Bylaw involving Vegetation 1993 (Summary Statement of Proposal)

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In summary the proposed part to Council's existing separate bylaws includes:

Water

- The protection of the water supply;
- The conditions of supply of water by the Council;
- Provision through schedules of standards for connection to the water supply system of the Council;

Cemeteries

Include but are not limited to measures to regulate the following:

- The sale of the exclusive right of burial, transfer thereof, the lapsing of the right of burial when payment is not made and the determination of fees for burials;
- The requirements and application to obtain warrants of burial, the delivery in thereof advance as authority to bury;
- The determination of hours of services and burials, the requirements for notice of services and the responsibility for arrangements;
- Prescripts regarding the digging of graves, the burial of ashes, the size of caskets, the reopening of graves and disinterment;
- The installation, maintenance and removal of monuments;
- Types of cemeteries, including lawn area cemeteries, ash garden berm areas, monumental cemeteries, services cemeteries and closed cemeteries;
- Permitted memorabilia and the removal and disposal of memorabilia;
- Regulation of behaviour in cemeteries including the removal of vegetation, the access and driving of vehicles, the solicitation of trade and advertising in cemeteries, access to cemeteries by animals and the conduct of persons in cemeteries;

Fire

Council is also proposing to continue with the current Hauraki District Fire Prevention Bylaw involving Vegetation. This is recommended as the Department of Internal Affairs have developed a proposal for a new Fire and Rescue Act and it is expected this new legislation will alter Councils involvement in fire prevention in the future. The bylaw will be reviewed in its entirety as appropriate when further information is available on the proposed new Fire and Rescue Act.

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