

Calling a Youth Representative

Our friends in Central Government are after a young person to represent the Coromandel (and Hauraki-Waikato Maori) electorate for Youth Parliament 2010.

"I want to hear from young people who have a passion for the future of New Zealand and are willing to stand up and have their voice heard," says Youth Minister Paula Bennett.

With the selection process now open, it will see young Parliamentarians take over Parliament in July when Youth Parliament comes to session. Youth Parliament 2010 is open to young people aged 16 - 18 years old who want to represent young people's views to Ministers and Members of Parliament.

Youth Parliament 2010 is a joint initiative of the Minister of Youth Affairs and the Speaker of the House of Representatives and is organised by the Ministry of Youth Development in collaboration with the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Office of the Clerk, the Parliamentary Service and New Zealand's 122 Members of Parliament.

Youth Parliament 2010 is an opportunity for young New Zealanders to learn about New Zealand's democracy and influence public decision-making. Young people will be heard in the very chamber where this country's politicians regularly debate legislation and the issues of the day. The format will be kept as real as possible. Government personnel and procedures will be maintained.

Young people from around New Zealand are chosen by their local (electorate or list) Member of Parliament (MP) to be a Youth Member of Parliament (Youth MP). During Youth Parliament, Youth MPs have the opportunity to debate legislation, sit on select committees and ask parliamentary questions of Cabinet Ministers.

Anyone interested in becoming a Youth MP should contact his or her local MP's office or the Ministry of Youth Development.



BE HEARD!
YOUTH PARLIAMENT
6 & 7 July 2010

Get your voice to the decision-makers and represent young New Zealanders in Parliament.

Contact your local Member of Parliament or email: beheard@youthparliament.govt.nz
check out: www.youthparliament.govt.nz
call free 0508 FOR MYD (367 693)

Elected Members' Diary

Meetings for the week:
Wednesday 24th February to
Tuesday 2nd March 2010:



- Wednesday 24th February – Full Council Meeting
- Monday 1st March – District Plan Committee Meeting
- Tuesday 2nd March – Water and Waste Consultative Committee Meeting

Public Notices



COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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 March 2010.

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

Consultative Water & Waste Committee

Tuesday 2 March 2010, 9.00 am

Hearings Committee

Monday 8 March 2010, 9.00 am (if required)
Monday 22 March 2010, 9.00 am (if required)

Ward Committees

Tuesday 16 March 2010

Plains 9.00 am
Paeroa 12.30 pm
Waihi 2.30 pm

Council Meetings

Wednesday 17 March 2010, 9.00 am
Wednesday 31 March 2010, 9.00 am

Western Plains District Drainage Committee

Tuesday 30 March 2010, 10.30 am

Paeroa Rural District Drainage Committee

Tuesday 30 March 2010, 1.30pm

RATES REMINDER

This is a reminder that all second instalment rates remaining unpaid after the close of business on Wednesday 24 February 2010 will incur a 10% penalty.

L D Cavers
Chief Executive
Hauraki District Council



Applications for Hauraki Plains Memorial Wall

The 2010 intake for inscriptions to the wall close on the 19th March 2010. The new names will be unveiled on ANZAC Day. To make the occasion meaningful for the community as many registrations as possible are needed.

"EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST" from past and present residents of the Plains who may like to include the surname, first name, middle initials, age at death, and year of death of their departed on a graphite rock panel, are welcome. This detail will be engraved on one line in a standard type font. That line will cost \$50.00 (GST inclusive).

The criteria for having the details of the deceased etched on a panel is that the deceased must have been a resident of the Hauraki Plains for at least six months.

Application forms are available at Council's Service Centres and on the website www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz.

For further information please contact Robyn Kirby at the Paeroa office on 07 862 8609 or 0800 734 834 (from within the district).

Council Staff Fundraising - 2009

Council as an organisation often sponsors events, and provides contestable funds for clubs, groups and organisations within the Hauraki community. When this happens it is reported through this page, or you will have seen the Council logo on the events advertising.

What doesn't get reported so often though are the efforts of the Council's elected members and staff throughout the year to fundraise for national charities in house.

Hauraki District Council has a strong and motivational social club, who for the most part is responsible for the fundraising done. However there are also individuals that will go around the office selling tickets, or dying their hair pink, purple, green or blue for one cause or another!

Councils work environment encourages individuals to take part in voluntary work or fundraising; and with this encouragement has come the enthusiasm needed to raise hundreds of dollars for charity with a little help from our friends and family (and maybe a couple more people along the way!!!).

In 2009 some of our key fundraising events included:

- **Cancer Society & Mental Health Foundation**
 - November \$2176.60 (we came 56th nationally in our fundraising efforts!)
- **Hearing House & Southern Cochlear Implant Paediatric Program**
 - Loud Shirt Day \$138.40
- **Cancer Research specifically Waikato projects**
 - Cycle for Life \$1200.00

Fundraising activities undertaken by individual staff members have also resulted in contributions to the following charities, clubs and schools: Waihi Commercial Netball Team; Waihi Beach School; Walk for life (Cancer Society); Lions; Daffodil Day (Cancer Society); Thames Valley Hockey Team; Paeroa Highland Games & Tattoo Inc; Tirohia School; Waihi Central School.

It is acknowledged that there are many of you in the community who also fundraise. Therefore HDC would like to say A BIG THANKYOU, and congratulations to all the people involved with fundraising in 2009. It is wonderful to see the generosity continuing even through a tough economic year.

Waihi Beach Reorganisation

At its last Council meeting the Hauraki District voted to support the option of having a joint committee with Western Bay of Plenty District Council, Environment Bay of Plenty and Environment Waikato to consider the reorganisation proposal and to work through the details of such a boundary adjustment.

If this does not meet with favour with the other councils the proposal will go to the Local Government Commission for a decision.

Are YOU on the Roll

There is a Local Body election later this year. Now is the time to make sure you are on the electoral roll. Particularly if you have qualified for the first time since the last election or have moved house, make sure you are registered on the electoral roll or you will not be able to exercise your right to vote in October.



Quick Tips

- Fill the sink to wash vegetables and rinse dishes
- Do full loads in the washing machine and dish washer
- Promote shorter showers and shallower baths
- Don't run the water when brushing your teeth
- If the toilet leaks or a tap drips, fix it right away
- Fit a dual flush or cistern weight to your toilet and flush less

Water...it's too precious to waste