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Starting a business? Ask us for help



"Local developer Murray Pennell in front of one3one, Hauraki's latest hospitality venue, praises Council for being business friendly."

"We can advise you on choosing a site, and the best zones for your type of business," says Wendy. "And remember to get a LIM report from us before purchasing property. It's a \$200 investment that could save you thousands of times more, and a lot of future stress."

Even if you don't have a site in mind, we can outline the issues you'll need to address and link you up with other council staff who can help, such as engineers or building inspectors – all under one roof.

Murray Pennell, builder and part-owner of Paeroa's recently opened one3one bar and cafe, says that from the early stages of the project his "informal discussion around the table with council planners and building consent staff" was invaluable. "David Fielden [economic development projects officer] came on board as a 'case manager' – that was a big thing. I had one key person to go to, who put me straight on to the right people to talk with. Having access to the information I needed saved me a lot of time with consultants."

Planning to start a business in Hauraki?

Then make the Council a first port of call – just as you'd consult with your solicitor, accountant, or builder. As a business friendly council, we encourage development in the district, especially in the hospitality sector where there's growing demand from Rail Trail users.

"It's an exciting time. We've been getting a number of inquiries from people interested in starting enterprises," says Council's new senior planner Wendy Harris. "If you're thinking about this, you'll need to find out about things like the zoning of the property, and District Plan and Building Act requirements. We can help you with this."

We invite you to spend half an hour with one of our friendly economic development or planning team members, who are available in our Paeroa and Waihi offices (it's best to make an appointment).

Paeroa Councillors hit the streets

Seeing really is believing, says councillor Julie Bubb. Instead of sitting around a meeting table to prioritise a list of footpath, kerb and channel works, she and her fellow Paeroa councillors recently went to look at the proposals first-hand as part of a 'ward tour'.

The day was also an opportunity to visit the sites of other projects and issues, being briefed there by council staff where appropriate. Stops included the Puke Bridge boat ramp area, the town centre, Paeroa Domain and the future library site, and Railway Reserve.

The itinerary was based on a mix of factors such as service requests, matters that residents have raised with councillors, personal observations, and staff recommendations, says Julie.

"We've had numerous requests for better signage for the Hauraki Rail Trail cycleway, so that was a priority, although the Rail Trail trust is also addressing the issue. And we were aware that some cycle racks were not being used as much as others – fortunately they are easily shifted. As well, we have Community Patrols signs, and needed to find the right places for them."

On the other hand, a footpath proposed for a street with very few houses was seen as a deferrable need when the site was viewed.

Councillors agreed that a number of cycleway-related actions are priorities: investigating cutting the kerb where the cycleway crosses the State Highways 2 and 26, and ramping the steps by the Criterion Bridge; extending the concrete path on the Railway Reserve by the skate park; contacting the Waikato Regional Council about constructing a path from the cycleway to the L&P bottle without the need to cross the highway; and relocating the museum cycle rack to the library.

Among signage and parking improvements, Karangahake Domain was identified as a prospective parking area and Rail Trail start point, with a possible walking track down through the bush to the hall site and trail. This would be added to the wider \$517,000 Karangahake area project.

One highlight of the tour for Julie was visiting the site of the future Paeroa Library, opposite the Cooperating Parish Church in Mackay Street and the Paeroa Domain entrance. "It was very exciting to appreciate the size of the land, and to know that we're about to begin planning for the new library."

While the ward tour concept isn't new, it's now likely to become an annual event, says Julie.

PUBLIC NOTICES

CREATIVE COMMUNITIES SCHEME



Funding for local arts

Applications for funding assistance to local arts projects and initiatives within the territory of the Hauraki District Council are now being received.

The scheme's three funding criteria are:

- 1. Broad community involvement** – Your project will create opportunities for local communities to engage with and participate in arts activities;
- 2. Diversity** – Your project will support the diverse arts and cultural traditions of local communities, enriching and promoting their uniqueness and cultural diversity; and
- 3. Young people** – Your project will enable and encourage young people (under 18 years) to engage with and actively participate in the arts.

Application forms are available from council offices at: William Street, Paeroa; Seddon Street, Waihi; Orchard Road, Ngatea.

Applications close 4:00pm Wednesday 30 April 2014

for further information contact:
Administrator - Creative Communities Scheme
Hauraki District Council
Ph: 07 862 8609 or toll free within District 0800 734 834

2014 LOCAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

As required by Section 40 of the Local Government Act, 2002 Council reviewed and adopted its 2014 Local Governance Statement on 26 March 2014. The statement includes information such as:

- the functions, responsibilities, and activities of the local authority
- a list of any local legislation, bylaws and key policy documents
- the electoral system and representation arrangements, including the opportunity to change it
- Council members' roles and governance structures and Council management structures
- meeting processes
- processes for requests for official information.

The Local Governance Statement provides readers with a one stop shop of information relating to Council. It is a great place to start if you have any questions regarding: how Council works; what function the elected members have, or how you can expect to be consulted with for example. Naturally if this document does not answer all of your questions you can call Council for more information and be directed to an appropriate person.

The Local Governance Statement is available on Councils website at www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz or by calling Council on 07 862 8609 or 0800 734 834 (from within the District) and requesting a copy.

HAURAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSOLIDATED BYLAW

Pursuant to section 157 of the Local Government Act, 2002, notification is hereby given that the following amendment to the Hauraki District Council Consolidated bylaw was adopted at a meeting of the Hauraki District Council on 26 March 2014 and will come into force on 7 April 2014:

Part 3 (Public Safety)
Section 6.0, Part 2 of Schedule 7: Prohibited and Restricted Areas for Dogs was amended to include a ban of dogs on the Hauraki Rail Trail between 'the gateway directly south of the western end of the pedestrian footbridge which traverses the Ohinemuri River adjacent to the Victoria Battery, Waikino, through to the northern side of the Hauraki Rail Trail swing bridge (C-11), Waihi'.

The Hauraki District Council Consolidated Bylaw can be viewed at the libraries and Council offices in Ngatea, Paeroa and Waihi, downloaded on the Council website www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz or obtained by calling 07 862 8609 or 0800 734 834 (from within the District).

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PUBLIC NOTICES

LIQUOR BANS 2014

EASTER WEEKEND

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Hauraki District Council Consolidated Bylaw that the consumption of alcoholic liquor, the bringing of liquor or of empty liquor containers and the possession of liquor or empty liquor containers in the public places identified below is hereby prohibited during the periods identified below.

LIQUOR BANS - WHIRITOA

All public places including Roads, Beaches and Reserves are included in the prohibition for the Easter Weekend Public Holiday.

Dates and Times – Whiritoa Liquor Ban

During the Easter Weekend Public Holiday being from 4.00pm Thursday 17 April 2014 to 4.00am Tuesday 22 April 2014 inclusive.

LIQUOR BANS – PAEROA, NGATEA AND WAIHI

That the consumption and bringing into and possession of liquor in all public places including, roads and reserves are **prohibited at all times** within areas of the townships listed below:

- Waihi**
- Within the 50 kilometre speed limit areas of Waihi township, and
 - Within the 70 kilometre speed limit of Seddon Avenue, East from the Margaret Street/ Toomey Street intersection to the 50 kph speed limit sign East of the Martin Road/Baber Street intersection.

Paeroa and Ngatea

- Within the 50 kilometre speed limit areas of the Paeroa and Ngatea townships.

Penalties
Any person who commits an offence against the prohibition may be convicted and fined up to \$20,000.00.

Powers of Police
The Hauraki District Council Consolidated Bylaw authorises any member of the New Zealand Police to act under sections 169 and 170 of the Local Government Act 2002, including the exercise of the power under section 170(2) to immediately and without further notice search a container or vehicle.

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