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**Searching for leaders to shape our communities.**

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LOCAL ELECTIONS

## ARE YOU.

A good listener, who can help represent the views and interests of all citizens?

Able to see the big picture?

Someone with business or leadership skills?

Keen to help make Hauraki an even better place to live, work and visit ?

To serve our diverse District well, the Council needs elected members from different backgrounds, with a diverse range of qualities and skills. For instance, our current Councillors have experience in farming, finance, business, trades, teaching, public service, and more.

Any New Zealand citizen on the electoral roll can stand for election. While some candidates have already started campaigning, official nominations for the Hauraki

mayoralty and the 12 District Councillor positions available (four each in the Plains, Paeroa and Waihi wards) open on July 15, and close on August 12. Nomination forms are available from Council offices.

For further information about standing as a candidate, visit [www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/elections](http://www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/elections) or contact electoral officer Robyn Kirby, ph 0800 734 834 (from within the district) or 07 862 8609.

## Library's mobile service turns a year old

If ill health or limited mobility is stopping you coming to the library, we may be able to bring the library to you! We're celebrating the first birthday of our 'housebound' service, and inviting residents to tap in.

Last year we asked for volunteer book buddies who could deliver and return books for someone in their area unable get to the library easily. Thanks to a tremendous response from members of the community, we started the free service in July.

Especially in winter, it has definitely been appreciated by some of our senior patrons – including a number of rest home residents – who really miss visiting the library as they used to. In one man's words, having a volunteer driver to bring new books and collect his returns about once a fortnight (the timing is flexible) "has reinvigorated my membership".

Users of the service can request specific titles, authors, or types of books; or let our librarians choose some, based on each person's interests and preferences.

Anyone living in urban Paeroa, Waihi or Ngatea who has restricted mobility and would like to have books delivered is encouraged to call their local library. If you're not a member, one of our friendly library staff can visit you to set up membership and find out what kinds of books you enjoy.



HOME DELIVERY: Paeroa's Ray Calvert, one of the first users of the housebound service, dips into new library books brought by volunteer Trevor Price.

## Road maintenance deal sealed

Road works on District roads are something we likely see as a necessary inconvenience. If you think they constantly seem to be in progress somewhere, you may be right!

Hauraki has almost 632 km of local roads – that is, non state highways – so maintaining them is a significant part of the Council's day to day business. We've recently awarded an \$8.6 million contract for road general maintenance for the next three years, to Downer NZ Ltd.

In total the Council received eight tenders for the work. Downer's overall price was the lowest, and lower than our base estimate which will provide the platform for future savings to Council.

An integral part of the tender evaluation process was valuing the "non price attributes" which included the contractors demonstrating they have a clear understanding of the requirements for service delivery, and resources and ability to meet all the contract requirements. These factors accounted for 30% of the weighting in selecting a preferred contractor – and just like any job application process, we carried out reference checks for each of the tenderers to see how their past performance rated.

The contract covers the general maintenance and can include the rehabilitation of both sealed and unsealed urban and rural roads, metalling unsealed roads, routine drainage maintenance and, environmental maintenance (vegetation control in the rural network), along with maintaining and renewing structures and traffic services (road marking and signs).

Beyond the 2016-19 contract term, there's provision for two performance-based extensions of two years each.

## Situations Vacant



Here are two great opportunities to make a real difference in the community, working for Local Government to deliver the essential services that make New Zealand a great place to live.

### Utilities Reticulation Serviceperson

A rare vacancy has arisen within the Utilities Division of the Hauraki District Council to work as a Utilities Reticulation Serviceperson.

We need someone with a real enthusiasm for the job. Someone who loves to assist with the operation and maintenance of wastewater and water utilities, undertaking tasks such as valve maintenance, meter readings, drain laying, reticulation construction and maintenance tasks.

Ideally you will have a National Certificate in Water Reticulation, or be studying towards it. 2+ years of relevant experience would be great. There is also scope to develop this role to include operation of Council's water and waste treatment plants.

### Design Engineer

Due to internal promotion we are seeking a Design Engineer to join our friendly supportive team within a professional working environment.

The role of Design Engineer is within Council's Technical Services Business Unit where you will be involved in providing engineering design and related services as well as assisting with resource consent, building consent applications and customer enquiries. Engineering investigations, design, surveys and contract documents will be part of your day to day role.

A BE or NZCE and 5 years' practical experience in related field is required.

The successful applicant will also need to demonstrate a high level of expertise in all phases of the job and form opinions and conclusions which are technically sound and well founded. You will be self-motivating and self-managing and have high standards of personal integrity and professionalism with an ability to organise and communicate effectively with a range of individuals and groups. Combine that with a working knowledge in civil engineering, engineering design and project management and this could be the job for you.

### How to apply

Here is your opportunity to take up an interesting and satisfying career move where you can contribute directly to the future of the community.

For further details or to apply electronically please visit our website [www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/jobs](http://www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/jobs), or contact:

Sue Greenville on 07 862 5024, or Julie Sweeney on 07 862 5023

Applications close 16 July 2016

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