



Left to right: Hauraki District Chief Executive Langley Cavers, Councillor Gill Leonard, Economic Development Manager David Fielden, Mayor John Tregidga, Prime Minister John Key, Councillor Toby Adams.

New strategy key to district growth

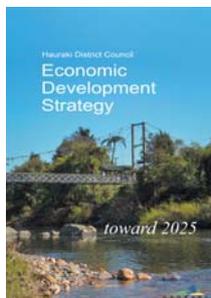
The opportunity to help put Hauraki District Council's new Economic Development Strategy into action is one of the best things about being re-elected for a fifth term says successful Mayoral candidate John Tregidga.

"One of the five main objectives in the new Strategy is to support the New Zealand Business Growth Agenda and New Zealand Inc by attracting international business of scale, such as this, to invest in our district," said Mayor Tregidga.

Adopted on 28 September at the last Council meeting of the previous Council, the new Strategy was presented to Prime Minister John Key on Wednesday last week during his visit to Allied Faxe New Zealand Food Company, the District's new Chinese-owned ice cream factory at Kerepehi.

Key said the Government is keen to see more investment of this kind in New Zealand.

"This is a great example of adding value in the dairy sector in New Zealand. The value



of ice-cream is significantly more than that of milk powder. It's good for the country. You (Allied Faxe) have marketing expertise and access New Zealand would struggle to replicate on its own," he said.

As well as a strong focus on engaging with international markets to secure investment that provides jobs and opportunities for people living in the District, the new Strategy aligns with the Government's Business Growth Agenda and highlights Council's intention to treat the business community as a customer by rolling out the red carpet, not the red tape.

Encouraging tourism by growing the Hauraki Rail Trail and the facilitation of ultrafast broadband are other areas of focus the country's leader will be able to read about in his copy of the Council's new Economic Development Strategy, which we are sure will take pride of place on his bookshelf.

View the strategy on our website www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz



Kaiaua landfill soon to be history

An old landfill site about a kilometre south of Kaiaua village on East Coast Road will soon be history.

By the middle of next week, experienced contractors will be on site to begin the process of removing grass, clay and topsoil from the site before clearing away the rubbish underneath and safely transporting it to a more appropriate landfill site.

Buried around 20 years ago the rubbish, which includes asbestos, has been an ongoing problem due to coastal erosion.

Fortunately recent tests carried out in the area show no contamination beyond or below the landfill area although some of the rubbish has been washed along the beach to the south of the site. This will be picked up during stage two of the clean-up, which will take place once the main landfill is cleared in around five weeks.

Want to hear what's happening in the Kaiaua community straight from the Councillor's mouth?

Head down to the Kaiaua Bowling Club, at Lipscombe Rd, Kaiaua Township this Labour Weekend for our Annual Kaiaua Community meeting.

From 10.30am, Monday October 24th

GET READY WEEK 2016

talk to your kids about what might happen

Making sure kids are prepared for when emergencies strike is at the heart of Get Ready Week, which is held every year in recognition of the International Day for Natural Disaster (13 October).

Get Ready Week is a great opportunity for the whole family to take the time to be more prepared at home and at work.

Get ready tips

- *Talk to your kids about what might happen in an emergency in an honest (but not scary) way.*
- *Let them know what the plan is if you can't get home.*
- *The more involved your kids are, the less scared they will be if an emergency does happen.*
- *Involve the whole family in gathering emergency supplies and checking them regularly.*
- *Remember that in an emergency you could be stuck at home for three days or more.*

"Do bees have tongues?"

"Can dragons drink water?"

"Where will we go if we have to leave our house?"

TALK TO YOUR FAMILY ABOUT THE IMPORTANT QUESTIONS.

Work out what you'll do in an emergency before it happens.
 Go to www.happensnz to make your plan.



Changes to HDC News page

After this week, the HDC News page will appear less frequently in the Hauraki Herald but you'll still be able to find it on the second Friday of each month.

Have you liked our Facebook page?



Regularly updated and monitored, this is a great way to keep up with Council news, ask us questions, or just say hello and chew the fat.

Our website is informative too. For information about your property, check out our new online maps. Read our new Economic Development Strategy and find out how we plan to grow the District. You can even check if it's recycling week in your area.

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