



## Hey, thanks for your feedback on responsible freedom camping



We recently asked for your feedback on some proposed changes to our responsible freedom camping rules. Overall, we heard that you're in support of our suggested changes, so the new rules will come into effect on 1 November 2020.

### What you need to know

Popular overnight spot Rays Rest Reserve will stay open for freedom campers, with the exception of the south end, which is reserved for our feathered friends who flock there from all around the world (and thankfully don't carry Covid).

- We've added a new camping area with awesome water views just north of Kaiaua at the start of the Hauraki Rail Trail.
- Freedom camping is no longer allowed at Tauwhare Koiora, Kaiaua (sometimes called Swing Bridge Reserve) because of its cultural value for local iwi.
- Freedom camping is no longer allowed on council land (aka reserves and road reserve) along East Coast Road or in Kaiaua, Waharau and Whakatiwai unless people are freedom camping at Rays Rest or at the start of the Hauraki Rail Trail.

### Read more

<https://weneedtotalk.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/freedom-camping-bylaw>

## Wharekawa Coast 2120 Looking Ahead

*Ko te pae tata, whakamaua kia tīnā, Ko te pae tawhiti, whaia kia tata.*

*Secure the horizons that are close to hand and pursue the most distant horizons so that they may become close.*

*Grasp and monitor that which is close at hand and think towards the future.*

Going to Alert level 2 and a request for some specific information from our community panel has stalled our planned community catch-up, but we're still really keen to touch base with you all. This is a major project to plan for a resilient and prosperous future on the coast and we want to hear your voice. Keep an eye out for our invite.

### Read more

<https://wharekawacoast2120.hauraki-dc.govt.nz>

## Project roundup

### Flowing well

We're making good progress on improving the flow of the Haurahi Stream to reduce flooding. The good news is that it's working so well, locals have told us that there's now no need to do the Lipscombe Road stormwater upgrade.

### On track

There's a few more tweaks to make to the new Pūkorokoro-Miranda to Kaiaua section of the Hauraki Rail Trail but we're on track to open in time for summer. Watch out for the start of construction around the 'start' of the trail. We're gearing up for work on the new car park and freedom camping area, along with the toilet block.

### Motoring along

We've awarded the contract for the repair of 600m of road just north of Kaiaua township so everything's motoring along for a summer start, as planned.

## Annual community catch up

### same time, same place, different day

This year, we're holding our annual community catch up on Saturday 7 November instead of Labour Day.

This is because we'll have more information to share with you on that date, including the outcomes of a council Long Term Planning workshop on 21 October. The extra time will allow us to firm up our draft proposal before we chat with you about where we're at and what projects you think should be included in our upcoming Long Term Plan.

*We'd love to hear from you, so come along to the Kaiaua Community Hall, Lipscombe Road, Kaiaua, on*

**Saturday 7 November 2020 from 10.30am**

A cup of tea and light refreshments will be provided.

## Reminder – we'll be late for a very important date!

Due to Labour Day the Kaiaua kerbside rubbish and recycling collection will be one day later than usual on  
**THURSDAY 29 OCTOBER**

