



**You could be
a Councillor,
or the Mayor!**

Do you love the Hauraki District?

Nominations are now open for candidates for our upcoming elections on 12 October 2019.

If you're interested in stepping up and representing your ward and the rest of us in the Hauraki District, put your name forward, or nominate someone you know. Find out more at www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/elections

**Our home.
Our future.
Your Vote.**

*Ko te pae tawhiti whaia kia tata.
Whakanuia tā mātou rohe.
Pōti koa mai.*

📍 **WAIHI MEMORIAL HALL**
🆓 **FREE for 17-24 year olds**
🍴 **FREE FOOD and BEVERAGE**
🕒 **3:30pm until 6pm**



Local teens make enrolling to vote fun!

Waihi lads Joshua Mason and Dakota Sinclair reckon young people should be more involved in council and have more say about what happens where they live. So they've teamed up to bring you eDay, a fun, free event where you can enrol to vote in our upcoming local elections, and eat food and listen to music too!

Take the quiz below and win a free pass to eDay

1. Who is our current Mayor:

- a) Ed Sheeran b) Donald Trump c) John Tregidga d) Sonny Bill Williams
- 2. What is the difference between a sausage roll and an electoral roll?
- 3. Is a councillor: a) a type of bird b) a musical instrument c) a chocolate bar d) an elected member

If you have no idea, congratulations! You've won a free pass to eDay, where you'll find out the answer to these questions and much, much more.

By the way...

Hey, over the past few months, we've been talking a lot about our bylaws.

Every few years we have to review our bylaws. It's quite a big job, so we're doing it in two parts.

The good news is the first part is now done and dusted!

The first four bylaws we reviewed included the rules around our cemeteries, wharves and jetties, food safety, and not being a nuisance to your neighbours.

We asked you what you thought and after listening to what you told us, we've made some changes:

Driving on the beach

We've scrapped permits for driving vehicles on Whiritoa Beach. Now you can only drive on the beach if you're launching your boat or kontiki, driving an emergency vehicle, or if someone in the vehicle has a mobility permit. If this is you, please keep to a maximum of 10km/hr, stay away from the dotterel area and look out for little kids.

There were some fireworks

We'd like to restrict the private use of fireworks, but we can't because the rules around fireworks are made by central government. There are plenty of other councils in the same boat, so we've teamed up with them and told the government what we think. We'll let you know how that goes.

The bees knees

You gave us great feedback about keeping bees in town. As a result of this feedback we included a rule that where bee hives are



located near a public place, e.g. a road, or a neighbouring property, a 'flyway' barrier of at least 1.8 metres must be used, as it encourages the bees to fly above head height to avoid contact with people, cars, pets and washing on clothes lines. A flyway barrier could include among other things a fence, hedge or shade cloth.

There are quite a few other changes too. To view the full summary of these changes and the full bylaws go to

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

PS: While you're there don't forget to check out our bylaws review part two!

We're fine tuning some more of our rules - this time it's about our drinking water supply, rubbish and drains and stormwater, so make sure you tell us what you think.

Huh? What's a bylaw?

Bylaws are rules that local councils can make to help make our district a safe and healthy place to live. Our bylaws only apply to our district, and we make them in consultation with you - that's why it's important to tell us what you think. A bylaw covers things relevant to our communities, like keeping animals in towns, using vehicles on beaches, or the number of cemetery plots a person can purchase the right of burial for.



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