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## Hey, we need to talk About Bylaws

**You can't choose your in-laws, but you can have a say on your bylaws!**

We're reviewing some of our bylaws.

### 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 have your say.

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.

A bylaw can be enforced by the Council and sometimes the NZ Police.

### How might this affect you?

In summary, we're proposing:

- improvements to the way we grade food businesses
- changes to the rules for using our wharves and boat ramps
- changes to how you can reserve cemetery burial plots
- fine tuning our rules about not causing a nuisance to our neighbours and other people we share the district with.

**Full details available on our website and in our offices and libraries from tomorrow.**

### We'd like to know what you think.

We're open for feedback from Friday 29 March 2019.

### Ways to have your say

If you want to talk to us:

- drop in to one of our cuppa-with-a-councillor sessions at:
  - Waihi Service Centre Meeting Room**  
Wednesday 17 April 2019, 11am-12pm
  - Whiritoa Community Hall**  
Thursday 18 April 2019, 2pm-3pm
  - Paeroa Library Reading Room**  
Saturday 6 April 2019, 9am-10am
  - Ngatea Service Centre**  
Friday 12 April 2019, 10am-11am
- contact us to book in to speak to the Council at a hearing in Paeroa on 22 May 2019, or tick the box on the feedback form to show us you're keen to attend.
- give us a call on 07 862 8609 or 0800 734 834 (free call within the District).

### If you want to write to us

- fill out the online feedback form on our website <https://weneedtotalk.hauraki-dc.govt.nz>
- message or comment on our Facebook page
- email your feedback to [info@hauraki-dc.govt.nz](mailto:info@hauraki-dc.govt.nz)
- write a letter, or fill in the printed feedback form (available at our service centres, or downloadable from our website).



## We can't change the events of the past, but we can respond with love

A beautiful community vigil was held at Gilmour Reserve in Waihi on Friday 22 March to honour and remember those who lost their lives in Christchurch.

Organised by the community and supported by the Council the gathering included a tribute at the Tunnellers Memorial followed by the release of flower petals and lighting of candles at the lakeside.

“ My message to all our Muslim communities is that you are most welcome here. You are our fellow Kiwis, and we will unite to support you in any way we can.”

Mayor John Tregidga

## Sprinkler Restrictions in Waihi and Waikino

River levels are still low, so please conserve water by only using sprinkler systems on alternate days.

**HAND-HELD HOSING IS FINE, ANYTIME.**  
Thank you for being mindful of water use.



For water saving tips  
[www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/smartwateruse](http://www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/smartwateruse)

## In honour of those who lost their lives in Christchurch

The Council called an extraordinary meeting on Tuesday 19 March 2019 in acknowledgement of the events in Christchurch on 15 March 2019 and made a special resolution.

THAT we mourn with the families and friends of those who lost their lives in Christchurch and embrace our Muslim communities at this terribly sad time. We can't change the events of the past, but we can respond with love and do our best to ensure the Hauraki District is a place where everyone is welcome and safe, and diversity and difference is valued and respected.

*Ka tangi hotuhotu mātou mo rātou mā ngā whānau me ngā hoa kua whana i Ōtautahi. Ave rā te tangi roimata mo rātou mā ngā Muhirama. Ehara mātou e warewaretia ngā mahi tūkino a tērā wiki. Engari tonu, Karawhiu atu tā mātou aroha ki a rātou mā e mau nei ngā kakahu taratara. Hauraki whenua, Hauraki rohe, Hauraki e tāwharau ana ngā Iwi katoa puta noa i te motu. Piki mai te mauri, maruwhi te ataahua o nga ahurea katoa. Ko te mate ki te pō, ko te ora ki te ao, Haumi-e, hui-e, Tā-eke-e.*