HDC NEWS

HAURAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL

Planning Ahead This Holiday Season? *So Are We!*



Here's what you need to know about our Christmas and New Year service hours - so nothing catches you by surprise under the tree.

Is a Building or Resource Consent on your Christmas wish list?

Santa's not the only one taking a break! By law, we pause building and resource consent processing over the holiday period.

The clock stops: 20 December 2026 – 10 January 2027. This means the standard 20 working day processing timeframe is paused during this time. Any applications still in progress by 21 December may also be put on hold until 10 January.

Get your application in early - don't leave it to the last minute and find yourself waiting until the new year.

Building Inspections

Our building inspectors will be hanging up their hard hats for the holidays. There will be no building inspections: 22 December 2026 – 10 January 2027.

Land Information Memorandum (LIM) applications

Want your LIM sorted before Christmas? You'll need to get your application and payment in by these dates:

- 7 December 2026 for a Standard LIM (10 working days)
- 18 December 2026 for an Urgent LIM (2–3 working days)

The LIM process pauses from 20 December to 10 January, so applications received after these dates will be completed in the new year.

Holiday Deadlines for Special Alcohol Licences

Planning a special event over the holidays? Applications for Special Alcohol Licences must be submitted at least 20 working days before your event. No late applications will be accepted.

Alcohol licensing has a statutory shutdown period from 20 December to 15 January each year. Applications received after the second week of November are unlikely to be processed before the shutdown, so we recommend applying as early as possible.

Apply online: ***https://www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/rules-regulations-licences/alcohol-licensing***

LGOIMA Requests

We're committed to being open and transparent - even over the holidays! But if you need information from us under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act, please get your request in early.

Submit your LGOIMA request by: 18 December 2026

The LGOIMA process pauses from 20 December until 10 January, so requests received after this date will be picked up in the new year.

Spring cleaning on the cards?



Planning a clear-out this summer?

Before you load up the trailer and head to our Waihī or Paeroa Refuse Transfer Station, check that your vehicle number plate is registered.

Hauraki District residents and ratepayers can receive discounted in-district gate fees and charges with a registered vehicle.

If you haven't registered yet, or you've got a new vehicle, now's a good time to get it sorted before your next trip.

Registration is free. Allow three working days for your details to update. For more information or to register your vehicle, visit **https://www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/rubbish-recycling/vehicle-registration-rts**

Need a hand? Pop into one of our Service Centres or give us a call on 07 862 8609 or 0800 734 834.

Waihī Ward Meeting

Have Your Say

Thursday 12 November | 5:30–7 pm
Waihī Memorial Hall

Connect with your Council, hear what's happening locally, and share what matters to you. Everyone welcome — no prep needed.

Want us to cover something specific?
Email **info@hauraki-dc.govt.nz** before the meeting.



Waihī Library and Service Centre closed Friday 6 November

Both facilities will be closed Friday 6 November for improvements. Library reopens Saturday 7 November. Service Centre reopens Monday 9 November. A further one-day closure is planned for later in November — we'll share the date soon.

Summer Roadworks Ahead

Plan Your Journey

You'll see our roading crews across Hauraki this summer tackling essential maintenance while conditions are ideal. We know roadworks can be inconvenient — your patience and kindness toward our crew helps us keep our roads safe year-round.

Check before you travel: www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/roadworks2627 or download Antenno for live updates on locations, timing and detours.



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