

Looking after Hauraki

What this year's plan means for Hauraki

Clean water, safe roads, footpaths people can comfortably walk on. That's what we're planning for in Hauraki, and it's what this year's Annual Plan funds.

From 1 July, the average residential rates bill across the district increases by \$210, or 58 cents a day. For those connected to both water and wastewater, the average water bill increases by \$364, or \$1 a day.

These are district averages. If you'd like to know what the change means for your property specifically, get in touch at info@hauraki-dc.govt.nz or visit our service centre in Paeroa.

What's driving the change?

Our roads were revalued in 2024, and the real cost of maintaining them is higher than we'd previously accounted for. We're planning for what it costs to maintain them, spreading the adjustment over three years to keep the impact manageable.

Central government has lifted the standards water and wastewater systems must meet. The Paeroa wastewater treatment plant, our largest infrastructure project, is nearing completion, delivering modern, reliable wastewater treatment for the district.

This is the last water and wastewater increase we set. From 1 July 2027, Waikato Waters Ltd takes over those services and sets its own charges.



HAURAKI
IS A PLACE
PEOPLE
ARE **PROUD**
TO CALL
HOME

"We've stuck to the basics, cut back where we can, and focused on the services people rely on every day. The cost of living is tight and that's been front of mind the whole way through this plan."

The full Annual Plan is available at <https://www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/council/plans-strategies/annual-plan>

For questions, visit any service centre in Paeroa, Waihi, or Ngātea, or email info@hauraki-dc.govt.nz.

Mayor Toby Adams

What we are investing in this year

2026/27 Capital works programme - \$29M to fix, renew and improve.

For a full list of projects planned for the year go to <https://www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/council/plans-strategies/annual-plan>

Here is a snapshot of some of our services



Water supply

Four water treatment plants with 592 kms of pipes servicing 7,579 residential properties and 1,023 non-residential properties.

Wastewater

Seven wastewater treatment plants with 179 kms of pipeline servicing approximately 5,715 properties.

Stormwater

Assets include open drains, piped network, manholes and pump stations to remove surface water runoff.



Land transport

- 621 km of roads (509 km sealed and 112 km unsealed) maintained across the district.
- 120 km of footpaths connecting our communities.
- 145 bridges and major culverts.



Land drainage

650 kms of rural land drains and 50 kms of primary stopbanks.



Waste and recycling

- An average of 4,019 rubbish bins are collected fortnightly.
- Approximately 19,000kg of recycling is collected each week (from kerbside and transfer stations).
- Approximately 50% of all waste received from kerbside and transfer stations is diverted from landfill.

Animal control

- 4,199 dogs were registered in 2025.
- 97 dogs impounded (54 dogs returned to their owner and 32 dogs were adopted or rehomed).



Parks, reserves and playgrounds

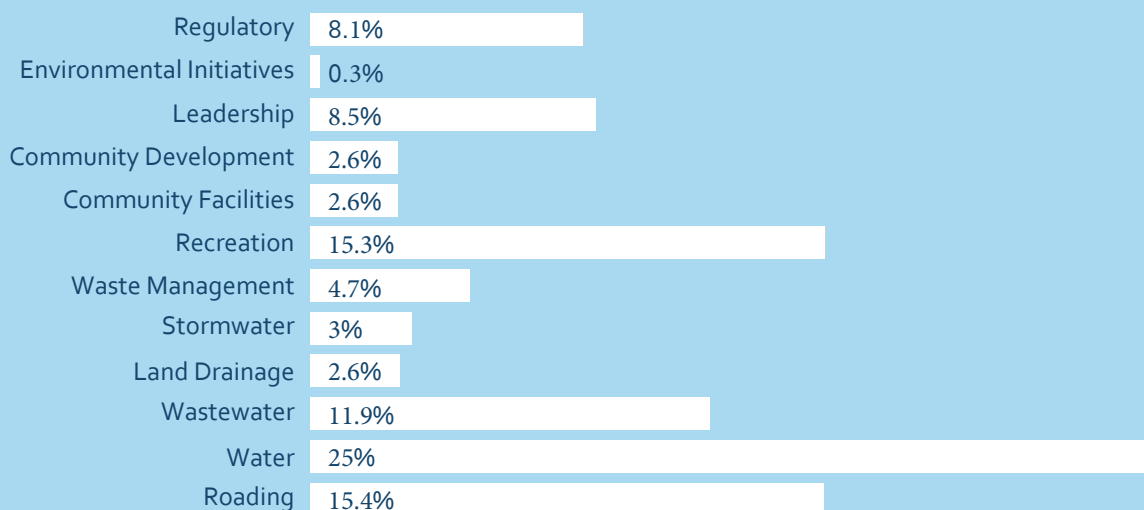
Maintaining 78 parks and reserves (433 ha) and 10 playgrounds across the district.



Libraries

Three libraries open across the district with an average of 1,698 visits per week and 2,179 items borrowed weekly.

What are the rates we collect spent on?



Kerbside collection change 1-5 June Recycling + Food Scraps



Collections will be **one day later than usual** due to King's Birthday holiday on Monday 1 June.



Place bins facing the kerbside by 7:30am on collection day

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