

Street appeals and charity fundraisers

Info Sheet

The main use for footpaths is for people to get around on foot, wheelchair or mobility scooter/device safely. Town centre footpaths are also used for a lot of other activities such as outdoor café seating and street performances. These activities add to the character and vibrancy of our towns, but they can sometimes interfere with safe pedestrian movement.

This information sheet is to help our business operators and wider community know what the rules are around placement of street appeals and charity fundraisers on our town centre footpaths.

The key things you need to know are:

- There has to be 1.5 metres of clear (unobstructed) footpath available for pedestrians.
- Street appeals or charity fundraisers cannot take place anywhere that interferes with vehicle sightlines from the road.

An email or letter needs to be sent to the Council identifying days on which the street appeal is to be held. The Council will advise if those dates are approved and add them to the street appeal calendar.

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- Organisers must have Council approval for the dates and locations of their street appeals or stalls.
- If the street appeal or fundraiser is to take place in front of a business, approval from that business operator is required.
- Collectors must be clearly identifiable and display the name of their organisation and appeal.
- No members of the public should feel harassed or coerced by the collectors for the organisation.
- All collection areas must be left clean and tidy.
- Council may place additional special conditions on charity fundraiser stalls.

The full Town Centre Footpath Policy can be found on our website

www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz/footpaths