

# THE JOURNEY FORWARD

Ka anga whakamua

## LONG TERM PLAN 2021-31 CONSULTATION

Te Mahere Pae Tawhiti  
2021-31 He Uiuinga

The Long Term Plan sets out Whakatāne District Council's workplan and budget for the next 10 years.

It affects you, your whānau, your neighbours, your friends – even your dog!



## We want to hear from you Whakapā mai

We're passionate about the future of the Whakatāne District and want to see all communities flourishing, fulfilling their potential and living life to its fullest. This is why we want to deliver on our vision 'More life in life'.

It's our job to make the big decisions for the future of our communities. That's why it's important to us that we hear from you before we make the final decisions on our Long Term Plan 2021-31.

I encourage you to read the consultation document, come along to one or more of our community conversation events and tell us what you think.

Nāku noa nā

Mayor Judy Turner



## Community conversation events

We'll be out in our communities, so you can have a chat to elected members and staff about everything Long Term Plan-related.

Our calendar of events is advertised on our website and Facebook page, or you can phone us on 07 306 0500.

Events include:

**Chat Box** – 4 Commerce Street, Whakatāne.  
Open 12noon – 4pm every working day.

**Mobile Chat Box** – Mahy Reserve, Ōhope.  
Open various times until Sunday, 9 May.

**Mobile Chat Box** – Corner Arawa Street and Division Street, Matatā. Open various times Monday, 10 May until Sunday, 23 May.

**EPIC Markets** – Wharaurangi, Whakatāne.  
3-8pm Friday, 7 May.

**Facebook Live Q & A session** – via Facebook.  
7pm Tuesday, 11 May.

**'Pop up' kōrero** – Murupara CBD.  
10am-4pm Wednesday, 12 May.

**'Pop up' sausage sizzle** – Jack Knowles Reserve, Tāneatua.  
11am-1pm Friday, 14 May.

**'Pop up' sausage sizzle** – Community Gardens, 6 Hughes Place, Tāneatua. 10am-2pm Wednesday, 19 May.

**Kōrero with Council** – Waimana Hall, Waimana.  
10am-12noon Friday, 21 May.

## Five big things we need to talk about



### ONE/TAHI

We must improve our water supply, sewerage and stormwater services

A lot of our water infrastructure was built in the mid-1900s. While there has been ongoing maintenance and some upgrades over the years, many parts of the network are coming to the end of their useful lives and need to be replaced. Investment is overdue and absolutely necessary. We're signaling the need to spend \$1.37 billion to renew, improve, expand and maintain our water supply, sewerage and stormwater services during the coming 30 years.



### TWO/RUA

Responding to demand for active transport and road sealing

We often hear that people in our communities want better walking, cycling and active transport networks in the Whakatāne District. We also know people have concerns about health and safety issues on unsealed roads. The draft Long Term Plan includes changes to the transport programme to accelerate some of these things, including implementing the Active Whakatāne District-Wide Transport and Recreation Strategy and reintroducing funding for road sealing.

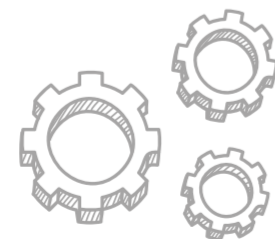


### THREE/TORU

Managing waste more sustainably

Central government is pushing hard for more sustainable methods of dealing with waste, which ties in with climate change goals for Aotearoa/New Zealand and our district. As part of the national-level suite of changes, costs are increasing significantly for sending waste to landfill. For example, the central government Waste Levy charges will increase from \$10 to \$60 per tonne by 2025 - how we meet these costs is an issue we need to address.

In response to these changes, we're reviewing our Waste Management and Minimisation Plan (WMMP) alongside the LTP. The WMMP sets out how our district deals with waste, and the associated costs. You can find out more at [whakatane.govt.nz/wmmp](http://whakatane.govt.nz/wmmp) and tell us what you think before Sunday, 23 May.



### FIVE/RIMA

Strengthening and enabling the Council

The world is changing, and local government needs to evolve with it. Our district and communities face a broader range of challenges and opportunities than ever before. Councils are expected to step up, deliver more, meet higher standards and achieve a wider range of outcomes than in the past.

To do this, and to have an impact on the things that matter most for our district and communities, the Council needs to be an organisation that is strong, resilient and enabled. This means investing in the people, technology and processes that can best take us forward.

## It's easy

Visit [whakatane.govt.nz/ltp](http://whakatane.govt.nz/ltp) and tell us what you think about the big issues and key questions.

You can also make a submission via:

**Online** [koreromai.govt.nz/ltp-2021](http://koreromai.govt.nz/ltp-2021)

**Email** [submissions@whakatane.govt.nz](mailto:submissions@whakatane.govt.nz)

**Post** Whakatāne District Council  
Private Bag 1002  
Whakatāne 3158

**Deliver** Civic Centre, Commerce Street, Whakatāne  
Service Centre, Pine Drive, Murupara

Submission forms are available online, or from libraries and Council offices.



## Kōrero mai Let's talk

Tell us what you think about the LTP and WMMP by 5pm Sunday, 23 May 2021



## WASTE MANAGEMENT AND MINIMISATION PLAN (WMMP) 2021

Te Mahere Whakahaere me te Whakaiti Para o te Kaunihera ā-rohe o Whakatāne 2021

The plan will guide how we manage our solid waste for the next six years – now's the time to tell us if you think we've got it right.

Visit [whakatane.govt.nz/wmmp](http://whakatane.govt.nz/wmmp) to find out more, and tell us what you think by 5pm Sunday, 23 May.

