

# Murupara

## COMMUNITY BOARD NEWSLETTER



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## Community Board members sworn in

New Murupara Community Board members, Memory Edmonds and Sheena Jones, were sworn in by Mayor Dr Victor Luca at our last hui in Minginui. We're looking forward to working together and achieving great things for our community!



Give the Murupara Community Board Facebook page a like and follow [f muruparacommunityboard](https://www.facebook.com/muruparacommunityboard)

## Bay of Plenty Tsunami Evacuation Maps updated

The Bay of Plenty Civil Defence Emergency Management Group has updated the region's tsunami evacuation maps to be consistent across all councils, including for the Whakatāne District.

These updated tsunami evacuation maps and printed signs/boards around the district will look different. The evacuation zone boundaries are no longer shown as red-orange-yellow.

Now, Bay of Plenty tsunami evacuation zones will be defined by one BLUE area to make them simpler and easier to read. Most tsunami evacuation zone boundaries remain unchanged. However, it's important to check.

You can scan the QR code to check your location and changes to the BLUE evacuation zone boundaries.



Scan to view if you're in the **BLUE**

### Remember: Long or Strong: Get Gone.

- In a potential tsunami, *get out of the BLUE*: head inland or to higher ground right away.
- If you are in the BLUE tsunami evacuation zone boundary and you feel a Long or Strong earthquake, evacuate (Long or Strong: Get Gone). Don't wait for an official warning.
- For tsunami, BLUE means go.
- Take essentials only. When you are in a safe location, stay there until you get the all-clear.

For more information and to view maps visit [bopcivildefence.govt.nz](https://www.bopcivildefence.govt.nz) or [whakatane.govt.nz/tsunami](https://www.whakatane.govt.nz/tsunami)

## 2023 Murupara Community Board Garden Fiesta!

It's that time again – the annual Garden Fiesta time!

**Entries are FREE and close on Friday, 27 October 2023.**

Judging will take place 3-4 November and to top it all off, a fabulous prize-giving will be held on Thursday, 16 November at The Hub/RSA, Pine Drive, Murupara.

Categories include:

- Best frontage on the block
- Best vegetable garden
- Special corner of your garden
- Upcycled garden

For more information contact Mere McLean on 021 041 0059 or pop into the Murupara Service Centre on Pine Drive.

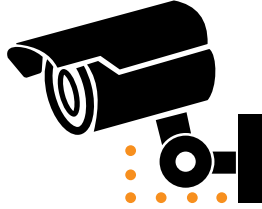


**Tō mātau matakitenga – Ki te whakamana, me te mahi ngātahi ki te whakapakari hapori.**  
*Our vision – To empower and actively strengthen communities.*

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## Community safety cameras (CCTV)



Four new community safety cameras (CCTV) and one upgrade will be installed in the Murupara area from Monday, 23 October.

Following consultation with the Murupara community, and particularly with the Murupara Community Board, the new cameras will be in the most-needed locations.

In 2022, Whakatāne District Council received \$1 million from the Department of Internal Affairs' Better Off Fund to deliver and upgrade the existing community safety camera network with modern cameras, add more cameras and improve system monitoring abilities. The upgraded network will be monitored 24/7 by Armitage Group, an independent security company. The real-time footage will help NZ Police respond to events as they are unfolding. The installation of all cameras across the Whakatāne District will be completed by early December, which is ahead of the original schedule.

## COMMUNITY GRANTS AND FUNDING POLICY REVIEW

*Te Arotakenga o te Kaupapa  
Here Karāti me te Pūtea Hapori*

We manage a range of funds that enable us to support community-led projects and initiatives. The Community Grants and Funding Policy sits behind everything in this space, so it's really important we get it right.

*We've reviewed it and made some tweaks. Now it's over to you to have a read and tell us what you think!*

### Kōrero Mai

Visit [koreromai.whakatane.govt.nz/community-funding](https://koreromai.whakatane.govt.nz/community-funding)  
Submissions close 5pm Sunday, 12 November.

## Heads up! Landing Road roundabout upgrade

If you're heading into Whakatāne township any time soon, a heads up there are temporary road layout changes to the Landing Road neighbourhood. Please expect a few delays if you're passing through the bridge area.

For more info on this project, check out [whakatane.govt.nz/landingroad](https://whakatane.govt.nz/landingroad)

## MURUPARA WATER UPDATE HE KARERE – TE WAI O MURUPARA

Join us for a community hui to discuss longer term options for the drinking water supply of Murupara.

Tuesday

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**POSTPONED**  
MURUPARA COMMUNITY HALL  
MURUPARA AREA SCHOOL  
**MURUPARA**

If you have any questions prior to the meeting, please contact us at 07 306 0500.