OUR PLACE

Ko Konei

Your Whakatāne District Council Community Update - October 2024





This service is being developed to improve access to Whakatāne District Council services for those living in our remote communities. We need your help to design this service! An online survey is now available for you to have your say on these mobile engagement hubs. Have your say by 5pm Monday, 28 October.

To learn more and complete the survey, visit whakatane.govt.nz/community-connections





A section of Thornton Road is currently closed between West Bank Road and Greig Road as we undertake major roads works.

If you call Matatā, Thornton or Edgecumbe home, or you're visiting the district from the west, you'll need to use the state highways between Matatā and Awakeri (SH2), and between Awakeri and Whakatāne (SH30) to access Whakatāne town. Light traffic can also use Greig Road as a detour option.

This part closure to Thornton Road has allowed us to make really good progress and we've revised our timeframes. The section of Thornton Road currently closed, will now re-open to all traffic at the earlier date of 27 Nov. A section of West Bank Road between Thornton Road and Greig Road will close on 4 Nov, re-opening on 13 December (all dates weather dependant). For more info, check out our project webpage whakatane.govt.nz/thorntonwestbankrenewal and list of Frequently Asked Questions.

★ All Matatā and Thornton Road businesses remain open 🖠

What will the Eastern Bay look like in 2055?

The Our Places - Eastern Bay Spatial Plan will be our blueprint for the Eastern Bay over the next 30+ years.

We're keen to hear from our communities. How can the region grow and develop, while making sure it remains a great place to live, work, play and visit?

Come to any of our open house events to find out more:

- Thursday, 31 October, 4.30 7.30pm, Tōtara Room, Whakatāne District Council
- Monday, 4 November, 4.30 7pm, Awakeri Events Centre
- **Tuesday, 5 November**, 5 7pm, Tāneatua War Memorial Hall
- Wednesday, 6 November, 5 8pm, Murupara Area School
- Thursday, 7 November, 4.30 7pm, Matatā Rugby Club

To find out more and to have your say by 5pm, Sunday 17 November, visit ourplacesebop.org.nz



Have your say by 17 November



PAYWAVE ONLY

\$4 and \$2 options

Climate Change risks in Whakatāne

The Council has kicked off a programme to understand the climate risks facing the Whakatāne District, and we want to hear from you. What do you think are the key climate risks in your area?

If you're keen to join one of our drop-in sessions, check the details below or keep an eye on our social media channels to see where we'll be in other parts of the district. You can also have your say online at

whakatane.govt.nz/climate-change-risks

Here's where we'll be - drop by and say hi, we'd love to hear from you!

Murupara/Minginui area

Murupara Area School: Wednesday, 6 November, 5pm – 8pm

Rangitāiki area

- Awakeri Events Centre: Monday, 4 November, 4.30pm 7pm
- Matatā Rugby Club: Thursday, 7 November, 4.30pm 7pm

Tāneatua War Memorial Hall: Tuesday, 5 November, 5pm – 7pm

Whakatāne/ Ōhope area

- Coastlands Preschool: Wednesday, 30 October 7pm 8pm
- Whakatāne District Council (Council Chambers, off Boon Street entrance): Thursday, 31 October, 4.30pm – 7.30pm
- Ōhope Craft Market: Saturday, 2 November, 8am 12.30pm





