

Rangitāiki

COMMUNITY BOARD NEWSLETTER

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STAND for SOMETHING

TŪ TŪTURU

Whakatāne District Elections 2025

Our 2025 local election campaign is here, and it's calling on you to step up, speak out, and shape the future of our district. From the parks we play in to the water from our taps, local decisions shape everyday life.

Whether you're standing or voting, your voice matters.

Key dates, candidate info, and more at: [whakatane.govt.nz/standforsomething](https://www.whakatane.govt.nz/standforsomething)

Your stand matters. Your vote matters. Your voice matters.

*Tū tūturu. Pōti tūturu.
Reo tūturu.*

Take the lead – it's rego time

All dog owners will soon receive their annual dog registration renewal notice. Registration is due by 1 July each year; however, we offer an extension for payment until Friday, 1 August.

Dog registration is a legal requirement under the Dog Control Act 1996. If you have a new dog, have changed your address, or have recently moved into our district, please contact the Council at 07 306 0500 so we can add you to our database and send you an application form.

Be an early bird and register your furry friend on or before 1 August 2025.

Save time do it online
[whakatane.govt.nz/dog-registration](https://www.whakatane.govt.nz/dog-registration)



What's next for local water services?

Public consultation on Local Water Done Well has now closed, and Whakatāne District Council is grateful to everyone who shared their views. Your feedback will help shape the Water Services Delivery Plan, which sets out how drinking water, stormwater and wastewater could be delivered in the future.



Adoption of the final plan will be in August before it is submitted to Government in September.

Stay updated at www.whakatane.govt.nz/local-water-done-well.

Waiho ake mā te au o Rangitāiki koe e kawe atu ki tua o pae.
Let the current of the Rangitāiki river guide you to the horizon and beyond.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT WASTE?

He aha tō mōhiotanga mō te para?

Help us improve waste services by taking our survey and sharing what you know about rubbish in the Whakatāne District.

Take the survey at kororomai.whakatane.govt.nz/district-wide-waste-survey or scan the QR code



Climate Change youth fund coming soon

The Whakatāne District Community Climate Action & Youth Development Fund is on its way.

Get ready to apply for funding that helps your community:

- » Reduce carbon emissions
- » Build resilience
- » Empower rangatahi

For more information visit whakatane.govt.nz/climatefund



Annual Plan 2025/26 – making cents of the dollars

Every three years we set a big-picture direction for the next decade in what's called a long term plan. In the years between, we check in with an annual plan.

It's a chance to review costs, adjust funding, and respond to what's happening in the world right now – like inflation, interest rates, or changes from central government. The Annual Plan 2025/26 keeps things flexible and on track and allows us to make changes to the 2025/26 budget set in the Long Term Plan 2024-34, without reviewing the full 10-year programme.

This year, we've broken down the numbers to show:

- What's changed
- Where we saved
- What it means for you

Take a look whakatane.govt.nz/annual-plan



Are you eligible for a rates rebate?

E māraurau ana koe ki te whakahokinga tāke kaunihera?

Did you know you could be eligible for up to \$790 toward your annual rates?

There are a few things that are taken into account, to find out more:
Visit whakatane.govt.nz/rates-rebates
Call 07 306 0500



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DON'T TOSS THEM
in general waste and recycling bins



TAPE THEM
using clear sticky tape (preferred), or non-conductive electrical or duct tape.



TAKE THEM
to your nearest recycle drop-off point



For more information, scan the QR code or go to whakatane.govt.nz/battery-recycling



Think before you toss
Never bin your batteries.

If you have any upcoming events or notices you'd like included in the newsletter, send through to newsletters@whakatane.govt.nz