

Hurunui District Council


SUMMER 2021/22


Rates Newsletter



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WASTE MINIMISATION

Council's waste team is looking to connect with local businesses to start a conversation around waste minimisation. The team is keen to hear new ideas from businesses about what they're doing to keep contamination and waste volumes down. As a Council we can provide advice, tips, and assist with waste reduction where needed.

Recently, the team had a chat with the owners of Cheviot Four Square Steve and Ginny Allison, who are going above and beyond to ensure their waste levels remain as low as possible.

If you are a local business owner and would like to get in touch, please email recycling@hurunui.govt.nz, or ring 03 3148 816.



HURUNUI TOURISM LOOKING GOOD DESPITE CHALLENGES

Despite some huge challenges this year, tourism in the Hurunui continues to hold up pretty well. Recent data shows that for the year-ending October 2021, tourism spend has grown by 15.6% in the region.

This is the fourth-highest growth of 31 regions around New Zealand. Ahead of Hurunui is Tararua (17.9%), Activate Tairāwhiti (17.3%), and Manawatu RTO Region (15.8%).

Hopefully this continues and we welcome plenty of visitors to the wonderful Hurunui District this summer!



AMBERLEY POOL UPDATE

The Amberley Pool is still making good headway, however there has been a five week delay in the manufacturing and supply of exterior cladding materials from an Auckland based company, despite being ordered four months ago. Unfortunately this will have an effect on our anticipated opening date.

These delays are frustrating for the entire team involved in the project, but our contractor and its subcontractors are doing everything in their power to make up for lost time. They are aiming to have 80% of the cladding up before Christmas and the windows and doors installed.

We appreciate everyone's patience and understanding, and will continue to provide updates.

ROAD SAFETY

Increased traffic flow, slow speeds and continued seasonal construction means there will be stops and delays on your journeys this summer. Remember to keep your eyes on the roads and off your phone.

There is a lot planned for road safety education in 2022. Keep your a look out for information on the upcoming Proactive Defensive Driving Courses, Ride Forever Motorcycle Courses, Age Concern Driver Refresher Courses, and for the school students the Crash Bash Court Theatre Production.

WATER PIPE UPGRADES DISTRICT WIDE

Rural and urban water networks are receiving upgrades in Hurunui. During the past 12 months there has been 70km of new rural pipe installed District-wide, to replace aged infrastructure.

The drinking water pipe upgrade on Markham St in Amberley is now complete. A big thanks to retailers, pedestrians and road users of Markham Street and Douglas Rd for their patience while the work took place, helping to enable us to plan for future growth of the town.

BUILDING STATS FOR 2021

Consents received:
2021 – 543
25 % increase in 2021.

Value:
2021 – \$103 million.
40% increase since 2020.

Number of dwellings:
60% up from 2021.

DO YOU LIVE IN ONE AREA AND PAY RATES ON A PROPERTY IN ANOTHER AREA?

You may qualify to vote in both areas at the local authority elections in October 2022. You may like to vote in this election. Voting is a way to have your say on what happens in your local community. This information is designed to help you. It notes who you can contact to enrol and ways you might qualify to vote.

There are two types of electors...

Residential Electors: If you are registered to vote on the electoral roll, you are automatically enrolled to vote in local authority elections. You will receive a voting document so that you can vote by post.

Ratepayer Electors: You may also be eligible to enrol as a non-resident ratepayer elector in a council district if both of these apply:

- You are on the district valuation roll and pay rates in the council district.
- The address where you are registered as a Parliamentary elector is outside that council district.

Your eligibility to enrol or be nominated as a ratepayer elector may also depend on your individual circumstances as determined by criteria in the Local Electoral Act 2001 and its regulations.



Wherever you pay rates
you can vote