

TALK UP TAIHAPE



Taihape Community Development Trust - March 2024

Careers Expo

Hosted by Shelley Noble, Gateway/STAR co ordinator for TAS. Exciting time of year for our job seekers young and old. The expo aims to provide akongā (students) with insights into various career pathways, opportunities and industries. They will have an opportunity to interact with professionals, gather information, and insight that will help them make a more informed decision about their career. The expo will have booths, presentations and networking sessions. Some of our TAS akongā (students) are fundraising for upcoming school camps or Young Leaders that are heading overseas for leadership camps, this will be by way of an assortment of baked goods, hot food, cold drinks, raffles etc. Live entertainment by our Junior school kapa haka, TAS band and performers.

Mokai Patea Services

Please check out Mokai Patea Services facebook page as they have an Easter egg competition. Message the page with your answer and they will add your name to the draw. Competition closes Thursday 28th Mar @12pm. MPS will contact the winner on the day to organise collection.

Wood Raffle — Wooden Trees

From Michael Vedam Andrews — 3 cubic metre trailer load (bone dry sycamore firewood delivered and stacked. 200 tickets \$5 each funds for Taihape work @ Papakai Park. Pay to Wooden Trees ANZ 06 0257 0150346 02 Ref: Your name

Knitting Ko op - Taihape Library

Our kool knitting ko op is making its presence every second Saturday of the month. Please come along and support our kool knitters.

Events Calendar

Jan-Apr 15th Mar 2024 TAS Swim competition @ Taihape Swim Centre
5th April 2024 Taihape Area School Careers Expo 2024 @ TAS Hall
Summer Sunday sessions at Awastone

Save the date : Midday (12pm) 11th April 2024 Cutoff date for articles / advertising

List your event in Talk UP Taihape Email admin@taihape.co.nz or call 06 388 1307

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WHERE'S IT @ RANGITIKEI

HAVE YOUR SAY ON OUR LONG TERM PLAN

He aha tō tirohanga whakamua mō Rangitikei?

Submissions close at 5pm, Sunday 7 April 2024.


Consultation on Rangitikei District Council's 2024/34 Long Term Plan is now open, and the community is encouraged to share their feedback on Council's proposed plans and budget for the next ten years.

The Long Term Plan (LTP) is a ten year plan which is refreshed every three years, and as such builds on the progress made over the last three years. This includes changes to projects and considers things like the rising costs of living and what it costs to keep Rangitikei running. This is all detailed in our consultation document for our community to read.

To find more information on any part of this process, the LTP or consultation, you can:

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 Contact our Council staff by calling **0800 422 522** or contact an Elected Member

 Email us at info@rangitikei.govt.nz

 Attend one of our **Community Engagement Events** or **Hui-a-Marae**

For details scan QR code above or visit our website.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EVENTS

Where	When	Time
Hunterville Town Hall	Monday, 11 March	6:30pm
Omatane Hall	Monday, 18 March	6:30pm
Taoroa Hall	Tuesday, 19 March	6pm
Mangaweka - Awastone	Sunday, 24 March	10.30am
Pukeokahu Hall	Sunday, 24 March	6pm
Papanui School Hall	Monday, 25 March	6pm
Ngā Awa Block, Taihape	Wednesday, 27 March	11am



WHAT DO YOU THINK WE SHOULD DO?

Refer to our consultation document for the full details on these three key choices.



KEY CHOICE 1 | MARTON POOL

Should we open the Marton pool all year round?



KEY CHOICE 2 | KERBSIDE COLLECTION

How do you want to roll out the kerbside collection requirements?



KEY CHOICE 3 | MARTON MAIN STREET UPGRADE

Should we revitalise the Marton Town Centre?

KŌRERO MAI

We need to receive your feedback by 5pm on Sunday, 7 April 2024





Council News

March 2024

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FROM THE *Mayor's Desk*

Kia ora koutou, roading for the Rangitikei is normally our largest budget and unfortunately our roads are deteriorating. The deterioration of our network has been driven by decreased allocation, climate change and the impacts of forestry on roads that were not designed for heavy units. Our reports indicate that we have 40 dropouts (places where the seal is broken and the road has dropped away).. I suspect that this number is under-reported and we have roads now such as the Watershed, Pohanui and others that are not suitable for non-4WD vehicles. Our biggest funder of roading is not from rates, it is NZTA Waka Kotahi at 63% and any roading allocation needs to be approved by NZTA Waka Kotahi who are guided by Government Policy Statements and Government budget allocation. We need to influence that process of national allocation and priority setting. One of the ways we can influence roading allocations is by arguing for priorities at the Regional Rooding meetings at Horizons. Our Council will be submitting that the priority for roading must be one of maintenance above all else.



At our last Council meeting we adopted the draft Long Term Plan for consultation. With the revaluation by the Government Department QV (Quotable Value) of the capital values of properties in our district, setting the rates has been challenging with increases in some areas of the district higher than others. The average rate increase for the next three years is - Year One 11.50%, Year Two 8.9% and Year Three 10.6%.

The figures we have been given for rates rises by other councils illustrates that this is about average as all councils are struggling with budgets and dealing with Three Waters issues.

And finally, another good news story, The Friends of Taihape, iwi and Council gathered at the Hautapu River recently for a blessing ahead of the construction of a series of walking track bridges as part of the reserve. I love walking these tracks – there are few local tracks built around mature native forests close to our towns for walkers and I congratulate all of the people involved in the planning, fundraising, maintenance and design.

Ngā mihi, Andy Watson, Mayor of Rangitikei.

Papakai Pumping Station Update

Fulton Hogan is due to complete the Papakai Pumping Station construction in April. Once Fulton Hogan have vacated the site, the remediation and beautification of the site will be addressed as a separate project by Council staff and Friends of Taihape. We expect to be able to update you in the May edition of Talk Up Taihape about these works.



Taihape Town Hall Update

The Registration of Interest (ROI) has been live on the Government Electronic Tender Services (GETS) portal since 19 February 2024 and remains open until 12 March 2024. All submissions received before the deadline shall then be carefully reviewed to come up with a shortlist to take part in the Request for Proposal (RFP) stage.

In the meantime, we have engaged an architect to prepare high level concept sketches that are intended to be included as part of the RFP process. Please note these sketches are in no way to be deemed as design drawings, they offer a design direction for the final selected team to embark on. The RFP process is expected to close by the end of April 2024. We anticipate starting the design process with the selected vendor sometime in May 2024.



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Heartland Services

Heartlands are at the heart of your community, providing access to government and community services for rural communities.

Did you know we have FREE Wi-Fi, FREE printing, as well as bringing agencies into Taihape to talk to us about issues that concern our community. We are looking at running a SCAM seminar with key agencies so register your interest, call in at one of our offices and talk to us, or use the contact details at the bottom of this page. Keep an eye out for posters around town. Also 1st and 3rd Monday of each month is Tidy Taihape Monday Mocktails Come along meet someone new and help keep Taihape Tidy and get fit too.

Māori Land Court. Their key purpose is to promote the retention of Māori land in Māori hands, and to support landowners to use, occupy and develop their whenua for the benefit of all landowners, their whanau and hapu. Heartlands is proposing to bring a representative from the Māori Land Court to Taihape in February to give a presentation and talk with the community. We need to gauge interest to make this happen, please contact us if you are interested in coming along.

Monthly Health Tip.

Men's Health NZ have online resources which support men to make good healthy choices and to have access to health information that relates directly to men. Check out the website for more info: www.menshealthnz.org.nz

Joke time.

Why did the golfer get a new pair of pants? Because he got a hole in one
Why did the Ram run off the cliff? ¶ It didn't see the ewe turn

Heartland Services – 0800 809060

Monday, Tuesday, Friday - 98b Hautapu Street (Heartlands/MTFJ Office)

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Karen Hughes

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Taihape Art Society meets every Monday 10am to 2pm

contact Veronica Yardley 027 412 8855

Taihape Community Garden help out at the community garden, contact Evelyn George 021 089 8672

Taihape Contract Bridge Club meets every Monday 7pm

contact Marian Cleaver 06 388 0056

Taihape Older and Bolder contact Betty Tierney 06 3880978 or 021 100 0065

Taihape Freemasons meets every 3rd Thursday 7pm

contact Greg 0274887555 or Stu 0273 743 145

Taihape Friendship Group meets every 2nd and 4th

Wednesday at 10am contact Karen 027 240 2593

Taihape Garden Club meets every 1st Thursday at 7pm

contact Cate McCartin 021 988 024

Mainly Music for babies to pre-schoolers Thursday 9:30am to 11am at St. David's,

contact Jessica Baird 021 143 1591

Taihape Museum open Sundays 11am to 2pm contact Frances McKeown 021 0880

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Taihape Men's Group meets the 2nd Friday of the month at 1pm contact Warren

Couper 06 388 0199

Taihape Walkers Group meets every 3rd Saturday

The Koha Shed Taihape open Mondays 9.30 to 12.30 and Wednesdays 10.30 to 1.30, contact Beryl Kawau 027 265 9414.

Taihape Rotary meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 5.45pm, Rustic Steakhouse, contact Theona Ormsby 021 122 2792

Taihape Spinning Group meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday 10.30am to 3pm, contact Jenny Abernethy 06 388 1620

Sustainable Taihape sewing and working bees contact Vanessa Witt 020 410 31577

Te Roopu Oranga for Tai Chi/Sit Fit for Kaumatua 65+ Tuesday 2pm to 3pm and Thursday 10am to 11am Hospital Cafeteria, contact Mokai Patea Services 06 388 1156

Taihape and District Women's Club meets every 1st Wednesday at 1.30pm, contact Viv Tantrum 06 388 0635

Whānau Hobby Hut meets every Wednesday and Thursday 6pm to 8pm, contact Gary Johnston 027 446 4498

Mahjong Group meets every Monday in the back room of the Presbyterian Church at 1.30pm. New members welcome. Contact Betty Tierney 06 3880978 or 021 100 0065

Taihape Musicians Club meets every Friday night Jam - 7pm till late Contact Sandy Ross 021 292 0233



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Taihape Public Library, Information Centre & Services

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Taihape Pharmacy

85 Hautapu Street, Taihape 06 388 0000

Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm

Taihape Neighbourhood Support

Contact Elizabeth Mortland 06 388 0565 or 021 0261 6002

Taihape Transfer Station

Manu Road, Taihape

06 388 0170

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Gardening in Taihape

It's the height of summer and our gardens are overflowing. (Don't mention the weeds - they have enjoyed the conditions as well!)- There are just so many shrubs and perennials in full bloom, right now.

Of shrubs hydrangeas are the stars of many gardens. They enjoy Taihape's soil and climate and are so useful filling up when the garden gets too large. Coming in a range of sizes, some are large and some tiny like H.

'Pia Maria.' These versatile shrubs are easy care and in colours ranging from white to red and blue to pink, depending on the soil. Hydrangea 'Annabelle' is a wonderful white mop-head enjoying some shade and needing pruning to head height in Winter. 'Limelight' is another very popular variety.

Propagate from cuttings taken in late autumn early winter you will be surprised how easy this is. An added bonus; as soon as the flowers are mature they can be dried for indoor decoration, lasting indefinitely.

Dahlias are a feature now and can be admired in many of our gardens. To begin the year our Club had an interesting talk from a lady who came to us from Eketahuna. This proved a good opportunity to learn more about these popular garden plants. A record number of members attended; the hall was packed. There was a wonderful display of dahlias on the Bloom table. Large doubled flowers in a multitude of colours predominated.

There were few singles on display. though. Dr Keith Hammett, an internationally famous Auckland plant breeder has developed a range with single flowers; readily available in garden centers. Great plants too.

Beside being famous for Gumboots, Taihape is also well known for Clematis 'Old Man's Beard.' Coming in to flower right now it is easily identified. Its common all over the northern Rangitikei and presents an enormous problem. While biological control is being developed, we can all play our part by cutting it down in our own gardens and painting the stem with a woody weed killer. Not so well known is another dreadful weed; a perennial, lamiastrum. Its valued in many gardens as a ground cover. Eradicate it now.

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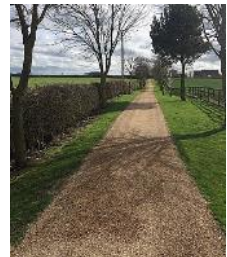
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