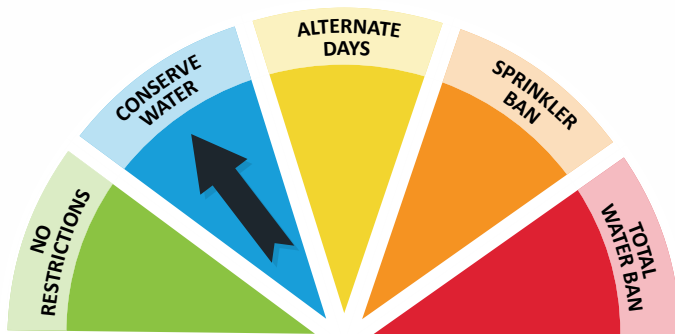


COMMUNITY PĀNUI | UPDATE

19 DECEMBER 2024

Water reduction request



Water Restrictions

We are encouraging our community to reduce water usage.

In November, the district water usage peaked at 13,000 cubic metres per day. This prompted the call to residents to reduce your water usage.

There has been a reduction to some 7,000 cubic metres per day for the residential users. This is still much higher than what the district should be using. With a hot, dry summer forecast, getting on top of our water usage early in the season is vital.

To compare, Napier is currently asking their residents to reduce their daily usage from 500 litres per person, which is creating a challenging situation. In Kawerau, based on 7,000L/day overall, every person is using about 780 litres, per day.

Our goal is to reduce the daily water usage to 200 to 250 litres per person. This will help us to be better stewards of the resource, will help us stay within our resource consent limits, and will ensure there is water in the reservoirs for emergencies, such as forest fire.

We have had a change of water source as the Tarawera Bores were unable to keep up with the community's current demand. To supplement the supply, water is being sourced from Umukaraka Spring under an approved emergency resource consent.

Council wishes to thank Māori Investments Ltd for generously allowing the district to use water from Umukaraka Spring. Being good kaitiaki of the resource, means being responsible about how much water we use.

Please note: the water usage figures do not include commercial and industrial users of water. Industry generally has resource consents to take water directly from the Tarawera River. Commercial businesses which source water from Council, are metered and charged for their usage.



1. Lachlan McMillan and Cr Justin Ross
2. Kawerau Community Play Group
3. Hollie Smith

Important dates and meetings

Tuesday 24 December, 12 noon

ALL Council Services close

Tuesday 24 December

Objection period closes for revaluation objections to be lodged with Quotable Value (QV) Phone (09) 361 7216

Monday 3 February – Friday 28 February

Creative Communities Scheme Round Two - Open for Applications

<https://www.kaweraudc.govt.nz/creative-communities>

KAWERAU

CHRISTMAS

IN THE

PARK 2024

Thousands of people from the Eastern Bay of Plenty and beyond gathered for Kawerau's Christmas in the Park 2024. Held on Saturday, 14 December, the event kicked off with the New World Kawerau Santa Parade. This year's theme, "Christmas in Aotearoa," was beautifully showcased by the extraordinary floats parading through town.

The afternoon show, directed by Community Christmas Concert Director Liana Kerei, featured an amazing lineup of singers, bands, dancers, and Kapa Haka performances.

The evening show, organised by Show Director Pari Maxwell, brought a fantastic array of performers to Kawerau. Highlights included performances by Hollie Smith, Nikau Grace, Hamo Dell, Takerei Hikuroa-Peck, and Jaedyn Randell. The New Zealand reggae band Tomorrow People headlined the event, delighting the audience with their hit songs.

Throughout the event, there were food and craft stalls along with rides for the kids and the evening show concluded with a spectacular fireworks display.

Thank you to the generous support of funders and local business donors, including New Zealand Community Trust, Lion Foundation, Bay Trust, Trust Horizon, Lotto, Mercury Energy, Kajavala Forestry Ltd., Sequal Lumber, Oji Fibre Solutions, Essity, Putauaki Trust, Māori Investments Ltd., Riteway Rigging, Ngāti Tūwharetoa (BOP) Settlement Trust, and New World Kawerau.

4. *Water Wheel Farming*
5. *Kharliyah Wheto, Payton Turner-Brown, Aurelia Mustoe, Kehukehu Devon*
6. *Council's Cultural Advisor Te Haukakawa Te Rire and Mayor Faylene Tunui*



Upcoming Road Closure on Onslow Street

From Monday 6 – Sunday 12 January 2025, Council is going to be replacing and reinstalling the speed hump in front of Kawerau South School. While the work is happening Onslow Street will be closed and a detour will be in place, along Ballance Street.

Council is expecting the road to reopen Monday 13 January at 9am.

Thank you for your patience while this work is being done.



Water pipe fixes who pays?

When it comes to whether Council or the homeowner pays with water pipes:

Everything including the toby valve on the Council berm (street-side belonging to Council) is the responsibility of Council.

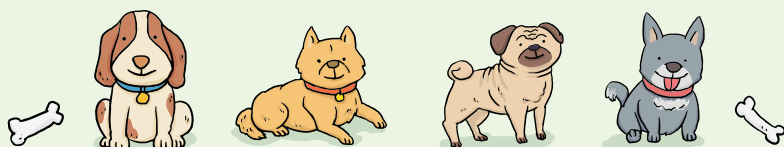
The responsibility for maintenance of water pipes on private property up to the toby is that of the property owner or landlord.

KTown Community Animal Welfare Annual Dog Day!

Dogs are man's best friends! On Saturday 30 November, plenty of them were treated at the recent Dog Welfare Community Clinic. The turnout of dogs and their owners was incredible. The vets provided numerous services, including onsite flea and worm treatments, microchipping, and advice. Free dog and puppy desexing vouchers were available.

The Dog Welfare Community Clinic, supported by Council and North Auckland Dog Rescue provided 35 desexing vouchers, 17 Microchipping's and more than 60 flea and worm treatments.

Thank you to all the people who made this event possible and to all the dog owners who came to ensure the well-being of their dogs. A big thank you to KTown Community Animal Welfare Society, who organised and ran the event. A Kawerau-based charity, KTown is run entirely by volunteers and, funded by donations and their Op shop.



Make it a happy festive season

- ★ Christmas is a time for family
- ★ Check in with your neighbours
- ★ Ensure pets are secure in your section

Going away over summer here are some things to remember.

- ★ Keep off social media about your trip if no one is home.
- ★ Let someone know that you are away, either your neighbour, a friend, or a family member, that can check your house and bring in your mail.
- ★ Leave a light on or washing on the line.
- ★ Keep the house and valuables locked up and out of sight.

Keep safe on our roads this summer

- ★ Plan your trip
- ★ Travel to the road conditions
- ★ Regularly check oil, water, tyre tread and inflation
- ★ Keep children safe in approved car restraints

For more information visit
[Keeping Your Home Safe While You're Away](#)
[| Neighbourhood Support New Zealand](#)



Dog infringement process and timeline

Due to queries from dog owners about the registration and infringement process, we have listed it here:

28 May 2024 – Registration renewal form sent advising registration fees are due 1 July 2024

6 July 2024 – Reminder notice sent advising owners that registrations were now overdue and that a penalty of 50% would be added if registration was not paid by 2 August 2024

9 August 2024 – Notice sent advising that a 50% penalty had been applied to the registration fee AND that an infringement would be issued if not paid by 30 August 2024

9 September 2024 – Infringement invoice sent out for non-registration; with notification that if the overdue registration was paid by 27 September 2024, the infringement would be waived.

3 December 2024 – Reminder notices sent out warning that if the infringement invoice originally issued on 9 September 2024 was not paid, the infringement would be sent to court.

Library Summer Reading Programme

January Timetable

Tuesday 7 January

Watercolour Art 10:00am – 11:30am

Thursday 9 January

Paw's and Poo's 10:00am – 11:30am

Wednesday 15 January

Design your own Mini Puzzle
10:00am – 11:30am

Thursday 16 January

Travelling Tuataras 10:00am – 11:30am

Friday 17 January

Negative Space Art 10:00am – 11:30am

Monday 20 January

Lego Play 10:00am – 5:00pm

Wednesday 22 January

Animal Bedding 10:00am – 11:30am

Te Kaunihera ā rohe o Kawerau

Kawerau District Council

Christmas and New Year 2024–2025 closures

KAWERAU DISTRICT OFFICE and AA Services

CLOSED 12 noon Tuesday 24 December 2024

CLOSED AA New Zealand Services closed 11am Tuesday
24 December 2024

RE-OPEN 8am Monday 6 January 2025

TRANSFER STATION

CHANGE OF HOURS

8am – 12 noon Tuesday 24 December 2024

CLOSED Wednesday 25 December 2024, Christmas Day

OPEN 12noon - 4pm all other days during the
holiday period



KERBSIDE REFUSE AND RECYCLING COLLECTIONS - IMPORTANT CHANGES!

NOTE: Collections scheduled for Wednesday 25 December
(Christmas Day) will be serviced on Saturday 28 December

NOTE: Collections scheduled for Wednesday 1 January
(New Year's Day) will be serviced on Saturday 4 January

Usual Wednesday's kerbside collections resume the
following week.

Other Kerbside collections on Mondays and Tuesdays will
be collected as usual.

Visit kaweraudc.govt.nz for recycling information

DISTRICT LIBRARY

CLOSED 12 noon Tuesday 24 December 2024

RE-OPEN 10am Monday 6 January 2025



*Please note, the District Library is closing
for the holiday period. Please, plan
ahead and make sure you get all the
books you've been wanting to read over the holiday
period, before 12 noon on Tuesday 24 December.*

MAURIE KJAR AQUATIC CENTRE

OPEN Tuesday 24 December 2024 8am – 12 noon

CLOSED Christmas Day (no private hires)

Usual hours resume 26 December 2024 Monday
to Sunday 8am – 6pm

KAWERAU ISITE

OPEN Tuesday 24 December 2024 9am – 12 noon

CLOSED Christmas Day

OPEN 26 December 2024 9am – 1pm

OPEN 27 December 2024 9am – 4pm

OPEN 28 and 29 December 2024 9am – 1pm

OPEN 30 December 2024 9am – 4pm

OPEN 31 December 2024 9am – 1pm

OPEN 1 and 2 January 2025 9am – 1pm

OPEN 3 January 2025 9am – 4pm

OPEN 4 and 5 January 2025 9am – 1pm

**For urgent assistance
outside of Council opening
hours please contact us
24/7 on 07 306 9009**

- Select 1 for Noise and Animal Issues
- Select 2 for Duty Supervisor
(water, refuse, trees etc.)

Report an issue

Contact Council to lodge a request for a service
for a non-urgent issue or service

- ✉ info@kaweraudc.govt.nz
- 🌐 via the Kaweraudc.govt.nz website
- 📶 Antenno