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Ruapehu among lowest vaccinated districts

It's not a case of "if" but "when" covid arrives in the Ruapehu District, Waimarino Waiouru Community Board members agreed at their meeting at The Centre in Raetihi on Thursday.

Ruapehu District Council CEO Clive Manley urged people who haven't been vaccinated to do so as soon as possible, with covid moving closer and closer to Ruapehu.

He said he's not trying to impinge on people's rights, who feel strongly against vaccinations, but urged those who haven't been vaccinated for other reasons – those who "just haven't got around to it". He said getting vaccinated is the best way for people to protect themselves, their families and the "people you care about".

Board chairman John Hotter went a step further.

"I'd say to anti-vax people – please re-think it. Vaccination is for the sake of the whole community."

Member John Chapman said there are very, very few people who have a valid reason for not being vaccinated – mainly those who have suffered an anaphylactic reaction to vaccines.

"For the rest of us, the vaccine is proved to be as safe as houses."

Numbers rising

Cr Elijah Pue said the clinic on Thursday administered 60 first vaccines and they are seeing a rise in the number of vaccinations.

Previously, the clinics were seeing about 150 people each day and now the numbers up to 220.

"We're hoping that this is going to be a trend and that it will keep going up and up and up."

He said he hopes that significantly more Māori people come through the door, because the rates have been very low.

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Ruapehu social housing pilot digs in



RDC CE Clive Manley and kaumatua Willie Wilson break ground following a blessing of the Moore Street site in Ohakune to allow construction to get underway. Watching on are representatives of Ngāti Rangī, Mangawhero Paepae and Maungarongo Marae, Tom Mareikura, Kory Wilson, Kay Oliver, Vera Wilson and Chicky Brown, Rowan Eves from Eves Construction, Sunil Prasad from Cheal Consultants Ltd, Sonny Houppapa (RDC) and Jo Tocker (RDC).

Housing Minister Hon Dr Megan Woods announced the development of six social housing units funded by the Government's Covid response infrastructure fund, to help work toward resolving Ruapehu's lack of social housing.

"The Crown's investment of \$2.1 million in this project will provide value to the community for generations to come," says Megan Woods.

The project consists of the construction of six Council-owned social houses in Ohakune. They include five one-bedroom units, each approximately 56 square metres in size, and one two-bedroom unit approximately 76 square metres in size. The units are being built adjacent to the pensioner flats in Moore Street.

This is seen as a pilot project assisting to build Ruapehu District Council's capacity

for future housing projects.

The six social housing units not only increase housing supply in Ohakune but deliver better quality housing that is warm and dry, economic to run, and help keep their occupants healthy, says Woods.

"Social housing, like this, helps whānau forge a path out of poverty and gain more financial freedom, independence, stability

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Cancer Society Marathon in a Month: get active

The whole community is encouraged to get their walk, run, cycle or even groove on – and get moving this November for the Whanganui Rangitikei Waimarino Cancer Society’s ‘marathon in a month’ fundraising challenge.

Marathon in a month runs from 1 to 30 November. Fundraisers can sign up online now and schools, clubs, businesses and individuals of all ages, and all fitness levels, can take part.

“Walk, run, bike, swim, or even skip – the choice is up to you!” says fundraising and events co-ordinator, Jude O’Dea.

“It’s your marathon, your way and it only takes 1.4km each day to complete the 42km in a month. As well as getting active, you’ll help people affected by cancer in our community.”

A key feature of Marathon in a Month is that it’s accessible to everyone, which is important from a wellbeing perspective says Sam Davis, Local Cancer Society toi tū te whenua - wellbeing facilitator.

“Completing a marathon in one go can be daunting for anybody who doesn’t view themselves as super fit, or take part in marathons regularly. Marathon in a month is a great way to increase your physical activity by a small amount each day, or even just log what you already do.”

Fundraisers can sign up to go it alone or as a team, whether through a club they already belong to, or by gathering a few colleagues together at work, or taking on the challenge as a school.

The Cancer Society has plenty of tools to help people get the word out and fundraisers can log their distance and share photos of their activities and progress on the Marathon in a Month New Zealand website.

“For the really keen there is even the option of 126km – or three marathons in a month,” says Jude.

“Whatever people decide, we’ll support them with fundraising resources and we can’t wait to celebrate their achievements. Funds raised will help ensure the 71 New Zealanders diagnosed with cancer every day do not go through it alone.”

The Cancer Society provides free support services to those people and their whānau affected by cancer across the Whanganui Rangitikei Waimarino region. This includes transport to treatment, supportive care and counselling.

“During lockdown, our services were in high demand

and people living with cancer had to navigate their treatment and support journey with the added complexity and stress of lockdown,” says local Cancer Society te waka hauora - supportive care co-ordinator, Kerri Dewson.

“By taking on the marathon in a month challenge, people will support the continued delivery of our services across the Whanganui Rangitikei Waimarino region.”

The Cancer Society has prizes up for grabs

for individual and team fundraisers, including Rebel Sports vouchers, sun screen, and lunch vouchers.

Register for Marathon in a Month online at <https://marathoninamonth.org.nz/whanganui>



The Cancer Society is encouraging people to get out and walk or run a marathon – over the month – and raise funds.

Ruapehu among lowest vaccinated districts

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“We’ve got a long way to go.” By Thursday last week, only 54 per cent of Whanganui DHB’s Māori population of just over 12,000 had received at least one dose of the Covid-19 vaccine, drastically lower than the overall DHB population, which was just under of 75 per cent (74.7).

Māori are at higher risk of severe illness as a result of Covid-19 infection, reported the *New Zealand Herald*.

The breakdown of the rollout among Māori shows that 33.4 per cent are fully vaccinated, while 20.5 per cent have received a single dose.

Two Whanganui region iwi leaders have commended the work of Māori health providers, many of which have been given significant oversight of the overall rollout in their respective areas.

The biggest issue is not accessibility to the vaccine, it’s the simply the number of those

coming forward, they say.

In the Ruapehu District, which falls predominantly within the Whanganui DHB catchment, the district continues to lag significantly behind the rest of the country.

The district now has the second-highest number of residents who haven’t received a single dose of the jab overall, according to Ministry of Health figures.

The rollout in Ruapehu has predominantly been managed by Ngāti Rangi, holding twice-weekly clinics in Raetihi and Ohakune.

Misinformation rife

Pou hautū/operations manager Elijah Pue told the *Herald* that the spread of misinformation, especially among vulnerable communities, was rife in the district.

“I think the issue is that you’ve got a huge anti-vax campaign happening at the moment – it’s been happening for a long time.

“[Whether it’s a] formal campaign or not,

there are people in our community and across the motu who are quite happily perpetuating incorrect information.”

Pue said he doesn’t believe the issue is accessibility to the vaccine.

“There are all sorts of reasons I could guess as to why people aren’t coming through. I think it’s just the lay of the land across the district.”

The Whanganui DHB said it would like to improve vaccination rates – particularly for Māori.

“We are working hard with health partners to reach all members of our communities, including those in rural areas,” a spokesman said.

Statistics

As of 6 October, National Park had the highest percentage of people who had at least one jab, at 77.1%, with Waiohuru next on 74%.

Ohakune was next, on 72%, with the Tangiwai census population meshblock at 65.9%.

Raetihi had the lowest vaccination rate of just 46.8%.

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Social housing

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and security. It also goes some way to help address the increasing cost of housing that is seeing a growing number of people struggling to house themselves.

“The building of these houses has also provided an opportunity for Ruapehu District Council to use its land holdings to partner with Government to build a more prosperous and resilient district, which is a great example of how we can all work together to resolve this housing crisis,” said Minister Woods.

The project is due to be completed in August 2022.

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Mangaehuehu bush falcons at risk

Farmers flock to climate change workshops

Some Rangataua residents are asking drivers to be careful when on the roads near Mangaehuehu Scenic Reserve, after two kārearea were killed last week.

Two of the Reserve’s resident kārearea (New Zealand Falcon) were killed by vehicles.

The loss is a blow because kārearea are threatened species. Their numbers are recovering but their conservation status is still ‘at risk’.

“This is the breeding season so it is a sad loss to the local population,” said a Rangataua resident who asked not to be named.

One of the kārearea was found alive and taken to a rescue centre but it could not be saved. The other was found dead on the roadside.

Falcons can be mistaken for swamp harriers or kāhu but are smaller. They fly very fast and often low after live prey, whereas kāhu will eat dead animals and are seen soaring high in the sky searching for food.

More information on kārearea can be found at <https://www.doc.govt.nz/nature/native-animals/birds/birds-a-z/nz-falcon-karearea>



Karearea (NZ falcon) have been hit by cars in Rangataua. Inset: one was taken to a rescue centre but later died. Photos supplied.

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More than 1500 farmers around New Zealand are getting to grips with why and how they should start responding to a changing climate, thanks to new workshops run by Beef + Lamb New Zealand (B+LNZ) and Silver Fern Farms (SFF).

The 59 workshops kicked off last week and are focused on supporting farmers to know the emissions profile of their farm.

The nearest workshops for Ruapehu farmers are in Taupo (started yesterday), with another that was due to start also this week having been postponed (new date to be advised).

Believed to be a world first in terms of scale, depth of content and partnership approach, the workshops step attendees through a process to ‘know their numbers’ by using B+LNZ’s Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Calculator. The second stage of the workshop provides technical assistance and templates so farmers can develop an action plan to manage GHG emissions.

B+LNZ’s North Island general manager Corina Jordan

Letters

Climate catastrophe

- The target that most of the world is now adopting to avoid climate catastrophe – net zero by 2050 – is beginning to look neither rational nor safe.

The hope is that greenhouse gases will be reduced through a combination of decarbonising the economy and drawing down carbon dioxide already in the atmosphere. It’s already too late, after 20 years of talk, to hit the temperature targets in the Paris agreement without doing both.

But there are two issues, speed and integrity. Many of the promises seem to be designed to be broken, and at its worst, net zero by 2050 is a device for shunting responsibility across both time and space. Those in power today seek to pass their liabilities to those in power tomorrow.

Even those who own land want someone else to deal with their gases, a mythical other who will have to suck up emissions from farming, possibly landowners from Mars or Venus

Even if all the promised technofixes and offsets are counted, current policies commit us to a calamitous 2.9°c of global warming.

To proceed at such a leisurely pace, to rely on undelivered technologies and non-existent capacities, is a formula for catastrophe. If earth systems cross critical thresholds, everything we did and everything we were – the learning, the wisdom, the stories, the art, the politics, the love, the anger, and the hope – will all be reduced to stratigraphy.

It’s not a smooth, linear, leisurely transition we need, it’s a crash course.

I’m sorry Headmistress Allen, this is way beyond the kids learning how to manage without plastic bags at the supermarket, and they should be taught the cold hard reality now, before we are guilty of inheriting a garden and leaving them a desert. The problem is that if these delicate systems that govern our existence tip as a result of global heating, there will be little difference between taking inadequate action and taking no action at all.

You see, a miss is as good as a mile.

Paul Beckett

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says the workshops are practical and add value to the farming business.

“Farmers need to understand their own ‘why’ in terms of climate response, so it really means something to them – whether that’s because they want to build a more resilient business, understand the implications of future policy on-farm, or whether they want to unlock market opportunities and meet the expectations of consumers.

“The workshops take a whole-of-farm systems approach, with the first step being to help farmers understand how actions undertaken on farm result in improvements in environmental performance including the sustainable management of GHGs, animal wellbeing and increasing on-farm performance.

“They’re then walked through the tools we’ve developed to help them with measurement and management. Farmers leave the workshops knowing their numbers, including carbon sequestration opportunities, and with a written plan that will future-proof their farming business.”

What they learn in the workshops will help farmers contribute to the sector’s He Waka Eke Noa Primary Sector Action Partnership milestones – by the end of this year, 25 percent of farmers need to know their annual total on-farm emissions and have a written plan to manage emissions.

The other benefit for farmers who attend is that they will be meeting a key requirement of the newly-launched New Zealand Farm Assurance Programme (NZFAP) Plus.

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Single lane rail bridge plan questioned

After congratulating Ruapehu District Council staff on securing funding to replace the railway overbridges in Ohakune and Rangataua, they were asked why the plans were for only a single lane on the Ruapehu Road bridge.

Waiouru Waimarino Community Board members were told that the Ruapehu Road bridge will be 4.48m from kerb to kerb and “sightlines over the bridge will be improved with the new structure”.

The Board was advised that it will have more clearance over the rail line than existing so significant work will be carried out on the approaches as well.

But member Alan Whale said he wanted to see the Ruapehu Road bridge to be two lanes.

He said he didn’t think it would cost much more to do that and would future-proof the bridge.

Board chairman John Hotter asked why the Ruapehu Road bridge was to be single lane, when it is a through road and serves a large area, including the water treatment plant and alternative access to the Ohakune Mountain Road, while the Mangateitei Road bridge serves a dead-end road.

Council roads manager Andrea Nicol said the Mangateitei Road approaches are curved on both sides so trucks need a wider bridge.

She said to make the Ruapehu Road bridge two lanes would substantially increase the cost.

She added that the Council was able to prove to the funding agency that it was more cost-effective to replace the bridges, rather than do “heavy maintenance”, but that this would not be the case with a more expensive bridge.

Nicol added that they would probably need over 10,000 vehicles a day across the bridge for NZTA to accept that a two-lane bridge was cost-effective.

“Unfortunately that’s how the funding structure works.”

The bridge widths will be 6.5m from kerb to kerb at the Mangateitei Road bridge, with widening to take account of truck track curves.

Final designs and approvals (Kiwirail, TLC pole relocations) are in progress to enable work to be completed in the financial year, the Board was advised.



The end is in sight for the chicane at the Ruapehu Road rail bridge, but the replacement bridge will still be single lane.

Power Trust consulting on deed changes

The King Country Trust (previously the King Country Electric Power Trust) is consulting with beneficiaries on changes to their Trust Deed.

The Trust Deed was written in 1993 and last amended in 2011.

KCT began the review last year and have been working with lawyers to ensure that the Deed best serves their beneficiaries and reflects changing technology.

“Our lawyers have prepared a summary of these changes. We are very happy with the result and now wish to consult with our

beneficiaries to ensure that they are happy with the proposed changes,” says Trust chair Adie Doyle.

“It’s important that everyone has a chance to look at and consider what is proposed as needing to change, be able to ask questions, and most importantly – have their say knowing that the Trust must and will take all of that into consideration before making any final decisions.”

A beneficiary is anyone in the Turangi, Taumarunui and Ohakune area whose property is connected to The Lines Company’s lines network.

Beneficiaries will be able to view the proposed changes, understand what it means for them, and provide feedback on this via the KCT website or by attending the Zoom community consultation meeting to be held on Wednesday 27 October at 7.00pm. Access to the Zoom link is on the Trust website.

KCT is also changing their logo, and asks people to help trustees to decide by clicking on their preferred logo when they visit our website.

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SUPER Saturday

Get Vaccinated

IT'S OUR SHOT NZ

What is Super Saturday?

Aotearoa – we all have a role to play in protecting ourselves, our whānau and our community by getting vaccinated. If you are one of the many people who have already had 1 or 2 doses – Shot! But your job is not done.

To best protect your whānau, community, and the rest of New Zealand we are asking you to help us reach your friends, whānau, and colleagues who may still have some hesitation about being vaccinated and need some help and support to get it done.

We are pulling out all the stops to increase our vaccination rates. It has never been more urgent. So everyone is being asked to contribute to a big, nationwide push for vaccination. This will build up to a national day of action for vaccination on:

Saturday 16 October

Super Saturday

Why are we doing it?

The more people who are fully vaccinated, the more protection we have against COVID-19 and this gives us more freedom – freedom of concerns, for summer, of lockdowns and pressures and barriers to access and taking action.

We need two things to protect ourselves, our whānau and our communities in this outbreak and in the future:

FIRST we need as many people as possible to have their first dose to be partially protected;

SECONDLY we need all those people to be fully vaccinated with two doses as soon as possible.

It’s never been more urgent – Summer is just eight weeks away, book your first vaccine appointment now to get two doses before Summer starts to be able to take advantage of everything that a Kiwi summer offers.

What to expect?

It’s going to be very easy to get vaccinated on Super Saturday. Vaccine clinics will be open throughout the motu all day and into the evening. A bit like Election Day, our political and civic leaders will be called on to contribute to a big collective effort to turn people out.

Local MPs will have maps showing where the highest concentrations of unvaccinated people are. Whether going door to door, working the phones, or waving signs, there will be a role for everyone to play.

We are asking our government agencies, our business community, our media, our community groups, and you to play a role too. Those who want to offer incentives or events to the unvaccinated to get them in the door – go for it.

Super Saturday will be supported by a nationwide and targeted marketing campaign, to energise business, community and other groups, and promote friendly competition between towns/areas to get more of their community vaccinated, and their vaccination rates higher.

How can you help?

Help spread the word and motivate your community/organisation.

What would work in your community to get people behind this work, to motivate people to get their vaccinations and help support the spirit of friendly competition? We’re looking

for ideas, innovation and what works for your community, whānau and friends.

We know talking about the reasons you’ve been vaccinated helps others who have concerns.

We know that getting reliable, honest information about the vaccine helps those who have questions and need to know more before they book a vaccine appointment.

Your help is needed. What can you do to help us to get the unvaccinated vaccinated. How can you get behind Super Saturday?

How can we help you? What do you need?

What’s available to help:

- Regular updates on planned activity
- Collateral – things like digital content and people’s stories about why they got vaccinated
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Explanatory Document - Proposed Substantive Changes to Trust Deed (Deed) of the King Country Electric Power Trust (Trust)

Clause numbering and clause headings in the table below reflects clause numbers and headings as they show in the Tracked KCEPT Deed Amendment, and may not be consistent with clause numbering and headings in the current form of the Deed, due to the document functionality in the amendment process.

The changes are categorised as follows:

- Significant amendments – amendments that the Trustees consider are in the best interests of the Trust but which represent a significant change to current settings;
- Other substantive amendments – other amendments the Trustees propose that vary a setting in the Trust Deed, but which the Trustees do not consider to be significant; and
- Modernisation and technical amendments – amendments that are made to make the Trust Deed easier to read, or more in line with modern practices and technologies, or consistent with current law, or otherwise of a purely technical nature.

In this Explanatory Document, unless the context indicates otherwise, capitalised expressions have the meaning ascribed to them in the Deed.

PROPOSED CHANGE	AFFECTED CLAUSES	SUMMARY OF CHANGE
SIGNIFICANT AMENDMENTS		
1. A range of changes made relating to Review Shares		The Deed would make a range of changes in relation to (Review) Shares (name to be changed, as described below). (Review) Shares are shares in King Country Energy Limited. The Trustees are proposing that: <ul style="list-style-type: none">the requirement for the Trust to be wound up if the (Review) Shares are sold be removed, so that the Trust can continue to benefit Consumers through management of investments acquired in place of (Review) Shares, if sold; andaccordingly, the review processes in the Deed be broadened to reflect that the key assets of the Trust may not always be the (Review) Shares. The Trustees are proposing these changes to provide greater flexibility for the Trust which may exist over a long period of time for the benefit of Consumers over time. The changes are described in more detail as follows: The name Review Shares (being the shares in King Country Energy Limited) would be simplified to call these Shares for clarity, given that the review process in the Deed would no longer apply only to the Shares.
	1.1(w) (definition of Shares)	
	1.1(t) (definition of Ownership Review), 1.1(x) (definition of Special Ownership Review), 4 (Review of Trust Fund)	The review provision of the Deed would be amended so that the Trustees will be required to undertake a five yearly review of all assets of the Trust, not just the (Review) Shares. This allows the Trustees to continue to complete Ownership Reviews in the situation where Shares are no longer owned by the Trust, and ensures that the Trustees remain accountable to Consumers to carry out a regular review process in terms of the assets at the time. This means that every five years, the Trustees would be required to consider the whole Trust Fund, and decide whether it should be retained in the Trust for the ongoing benefit of Consumers, or distributed in whole or in part (including by selling investments and distributing cash proceeds).
	14.1 (Winding Up)	As noted above, the Trustees would not be required to wind up the Trust if it no longer held any (Review) Shares. Instead, the Trustees would be required to wind up the Trust if the Trust Fund, ie the Trust's assets in whatever form, had been fully distributed. The current requirement for the Trustees to wind up the Trust upon reaching a date near its expiry (the Determination Date) is retained.
2. Minor Variations to Deed without Public Consultative Procedure	13.1 (Variations to Deed)	There would be a new ability for the Trustees to alter the Deed without requiring the Public Consultative Procedure where the amendment is: <ul style="list-style-type: none">of a minor, formal, administrative or technical nature (including changes to Schedules);to correct a manifest error, to cure any ambiguity or to correct or supplement any defective or inconsistent provision; ornecessary or desirable to comply with the provisions of any law or the requirements of any statutory authority. This would provide the Trustees with the ability to implement non-substantive changes without the delay and cost of the Public Consultative Procedure, where there is in effect no need for a consultative process. The minor amendments power will however be subject to the existing limit in the Deed that prevents any change that would limit or restrict review of the ownership of (Review) Shares or the sale of them when required.
3. Additional Trustee Appointments provided for	Schedule 1, 1.1 (Number of Trustees), 1.3 (Additional Trustee Appointments), 1.4 (Skills Based Approach to Additional Trustee Selection), 1.8(g) (Eligibility of Trustees)	The Deed would be amended to allow the Trustees to appoint up to two additional Trustees, for a term of up to four years. This is to allow the Trustees to co-opt additional expertise if required to complement the skills and experience of elected Trustees. The Additional Trustees would be appointed through a best practice recruitment process. The number of Trustees would accordingly increase to a maximum of seven. There would still be a requirement for a minimum of five elected Trustees. Additional Trustees would not be required to be Electors.
4. Definition of Consumer clarified for alignment with changes in lines company contractual structure	1.1(e) (definition of Consumers)	The Deed would be amended to clarify that Consumers include persons who pay for line function services from The Lines Company Limited (TLC), but who do not necessarily own the connected premises. At the moment, Consumers who might receive a distribution from the Trust are persons in the District whose premises are connected to the TLC network. The owner of the premises is not necessarily the person who pays for line function services from TLC. The change to the definition of “Consumers” is being proposed because TLC is changing its billing processes and it will no longer be able to make payments on the Trust’s behalf to persons who are not responsible for paying for line function services. It is not feasible for the Trust to pay distributions to Consumers who cannot be paid through TLC. Rather, if the change to the definition of “Consumers” is not made, the Trustees can still exclude premises owners who are not the bill payer, given that they could not feasibly make a payment to them. In that case no-one at the connected premises would benefit from a distribution. In this context, the Trustees consider that the most practical and fair way forward is to amend the definition of “Consumers” so that all connected premises in the District will be able to be considered for a distribution.

King Country Trust Consulting on Trust Deed

The King Country Trust (previously the King Country Electric Power Trust) is consulting with beneficiaries on changes to their Trust Deed.

KCT began the review last year and have been working with lawyers to ensure that the Deed best serves their beneficiaries and reflects changing technology.

A beneficiary is anyone in the Turangi, Taumarunui and Ohakune area whose property is connected to the Lines Company’s lines network.

Beneficiaries will be able to view the proposed changes, find out what it means for them, and provide feedback on this via the KCT website or by attending the Zoom community consultation meeting to be held on Wednesday, 27th October at 7.00pm. Please access the Zoom link on our website.

KCT is also changing their logo, help Trustees to decide by clicking on your preferred logo when you visit our website www.kcpowertrust.co.nz

PROPOSED CHANGE	AFFECTED CLAUSES	SUMMARY OF CHANGE
OTHER SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENTS		
5. Definition of Default Beneficiaries added and Elector definition clarified widened	1.1(g) (definition of Default Beneficiaries), 1.1(m) (definition of Electors)	The name used for one of the classes of beneficiary would be changed from Electors to Default Beneficiaries so that it is easier to understand. The persons included in that class of beneficiary remain the same, ie Electors. Default Beneficiaries are the persons who will receive a share of the capital assets of the Trust, if those capital assets have not been distributed in full to Consumers by the time the Trust terminates. They only become entitled to anything from the Trust in those specific circumstances. The definition of “Elector” would also be clarified, so that it is clear to a reader (without needing to do background research) that an Elector is a person with an electoral address in the District either by being a residential elector or by being enrolled or nominated as a ratepayer elector (who does not necessarily live in the District, but owns property there).
6. Clarifying the ability to distribute to local charitable organisations as well as consumer beneficiaries	1.1 (r) (definition of Local Charitable Entity), 5 (Income)	The power of the Trustees in the Deed to pay or apply income for the benefit of Consumers indirectly by making a donation or grant to a charity would be clarified, by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">including an express power in clause 5 for Trustees to make a donation or grant (with or without conditions) to a Local Charitable Entity selected by the Trustees from time to time; anddefining Local Charitable Entity as a company, society, trust or other entity established and maintained exclusively for purposes that are charitable in accordance with New Zealand law, and not for private profit, and whose activities may provide a benefit in the District. Consumers are persons connected to the electricity distribution lines in the District (this has not changed).
7. Decisions requiring unanimous resolution now require special majority, to protect against “rogue” trustee	1.1(y) (definition of Special Resolution), 2.1 (Name), 13 (Variation to Deed)	The proposed amendment would change the requirement for a unanimous resolution of Trustees in writing to a requirement for a Special Resolution in the following circumstances (Reserved Matters): <ul style="list-style-type: none">the power to change the name of the Trust; andthe power to amend the Deed.
		The requirement for a unanimous resolution in writing for the Reserved Matters puts the Trust at risk of deadlock if one Trustee is refusing to act. The new requirement for a Special Resolution means that: <ul style="list-style-type: none">at a meeting, the resolution in respect of a Reserved Matter can be passed if all but one Trustee entitled to vote on the matter votes in favour; andfor a resolution in writing on a Reserved Matter, approval by all Trustees will still be required (all must sign the written resolution).
8. Improvements made to review process	4.2(f) (Summary of Professional Advice) 4.9 (Update the Investment Policy) 4.11 (Special Ownership Review)	The Trustees are proposing some improvements to the Ownership Review process, as follows: The Trustees would be required to obtain professional advice as part of the review process (previously it was optional). There would be a new requirement for the Trustees to review the Trust’s investment policy statement in conjunction with the Trust’s Ownership Review and more frequently, if necessary. An investment policy statement is an important tool for Trustees in the management of trust investments, and it is best practice to have such a document and to regularly review it. The Trustees would be able to requisition a Special Ownership Review of the ownership of all or part of the Trust Fund at any time that they consider that such a review is warranted. Any special Ownership Review would be in accordance with the existing Ownership Review processes. This gives the Trustees flexibility to review the ownership structure outside of the five yearly formal review process, if the circumstances warranted it.
9. Combination of Annual Meeting of Consumers and Public Meeting	11.3 (Annual Meeting of Consumers) 11.4 (Procedures for Annual Meeting of Consumers)	The provisions relating to the Annual Meeting of Consumers and the public meeting would be combined to make it clear that these two meetings are held as one combined meeting, and to streamline procedural requirements accordingly. The main focus of the Annual Meeting of Consumers would continue to be the dealing with matters that legislation requires the Trust to put to Consumers (ie appointment of the auditor). The procedures for the Annual Meeting of Consumers, as required under section 102 of the Electricity Industry Act 2010, have also been included for ease of reference. Members of the public (who are not already Consumers) would still be able to be included as guests. Non-Consumer attendees would not have voting rights (this is not a change).
10. Early Termination of Office – additional scenarios added	Schedule 1, 2.2 (Early Termination of Office)	The Deed would be amended so that, in addition to existing grounds, a Trustee will cease to hold office if the Trustee: <ul style="list-style-type: none">dies while holding office as a Trustee; oris removed from holding office as Trustee by special resolution of the Trustees that the Trustee is for any reason unable to effectively carry out his or her duties as a Trustee, or the other Trustees determine there is a risk that the reputation of the Trust will be adversely affected should the Trustee continue as a Trustee. These amendments deal with two scenarios that can face a Trust and which it is useful to have a mechanism for.
11. Quorum updated given that maximum number of Trustees would be increased	Schedule 3, 1.1, 1.2	The quorum of Trustees would be amended to be a majority of the Trustees then in office (including Additional Trustees). This reflects the practicalities of the addition of Additional Trustees.
12. Execution of Documents made more practical	Schedule 3, 11	The requirements for the Trust’s method of signing documents would be updated to reflect best practice, by allowing documents other than deeds to be executed by one Trustee and the secretary or other authorised persons. Deeds will still be required to be executed by two Trustees plus the secretary/another Trustee/another authorised person. Documents will also still require authorisation of the Trustees before being signed (ie a resolution or general delegated authority).



Option A



Whakarato Te Rohe Pōtae

Option B



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PROPOSED CHANGE		AFFECTED CLAUSES	SUMMARY OF CHANGE																				
MODERNISATION AND TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS																							
13	Shorten the name	2.1 (Name)	The name of the Trust has been shortened from "King Country Electric Power Trust" to "King Country Trust". The Trustees have the power to make this change by special resolution, without public consultation but wanted to include an explanation here for completeness.																				
14	General Trusts Act 2019 Updates	1.1(z) (definition of Termination Date), 1.1(bb) (definition of Trust Expiry Date), 1.3 (Trust Expiry Date), 9.3 (Power to Employ), 9.4 (Power to Appoint Custodian Trustee), 9.5 (Power to Invest), 10.3 (Exception), 12.4 (Disclosure to Beneficiaries), 12.5 (Request by Consumer), 16 (Liability of Trustees), 17 (Indemnity), Schedule 1, 1.8 (Eligibility of Trustees)	<p>There would be a number of amendments made on the basis that they are required or desirable as a result of the Trusts Act 2019, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Trust Expiry Date: extending the maximum duration of the Trust applicable to this Deed to 125 years from the date of execution of the 1993 Deed, being 17 June 2118;Specific Powers: amending some of the specific powers of the Trustees (the power to employ, to appoint a custodian trustee and to appoint a delegate or attorney) to be subject to the relevant Trusts Act clauses;Investment Powers: updating the powers of investment to reflect the relevant Trusts Act clauses;Disclosure to Beneficiaries: referring to new obligations in relation to disclosures to beneficiaries;Liability of Trustees and Indemnity: amending the limitation of liability clause and the trustee indemnity to include the gross negligence exclusion; andEligibility of Trustees: not allowing a person who is disqualified from being appointed as a trustee under section 96 of the Trusts Act to be a Trustee (replaces previous eligibility criteria that were in Schedule 1, clause 20.4).																				
15	Definition of Dates updated to reflect Trusts Act changes	1.1(h) (definition of Determination Date) and (z) (definition of	<p>Under the current Deed, the final termination of the Trust is linked to maximum period of 80 years for a trust as provided for in the Perpetuities Act 1964. Under the new Trusts Act 2019, the rule against perpetuities is abolished and the Perpetuities Act 1964 is repealed. The maximum duration of a trust (including resettlements) can now be up to 125 years after the creation of the trust.</p>																				
		Termination Date), 1.3 (Trust Expiry Date)	<p>Accordingly, amendments would be made to extend the maximum duration of the Trust and simplify the use of definitions in the Deed as follows:</p> <table><tr><th>NEW DEFINITION</th><th>NEW DATE</th><th>PREVIOUS DEFINITION</th><th>PREVIOUS DATE</th><th>CONTEXT</th></tr><tr><td>Trust Expiry Date</td><td>17 June 2118</td><td>n/a</td><td>1 January 2073</td><td>125 years from the date of execution of the Deed (section 16, Trusts Act 2019)</td></tr><tr><td>Determination Date</td><td>1 January 2117*</td><td>Termination Date</td><td>1 January 2072*</td><td>Approx. 18 months before the Trust Expiry Date</td></tr><tr><td>Termination Date</td><td>1 January 2118*</td><td>The anniversary of Termination Date</td><td>1 January 2073*</td><td>Approx. 6 months before the Trust Expiry Date</td></tr></table> <p>*or such other earlier date designated by the Trustees</p> <p>The Trust Expiry Date is that date that is 125 years from the date of execution of the 1993 Deed. This reflects the new requirements under section 16 of the Trusts Act 2019. This date effectively acts as a backstop, allowing the Trustees the flexibility required to complete the final distribution of the Trust Fund.</p> <p>The Determination Date is the date that the Trustees will begin the process to wind up the Trust. This date is approximately 18 months prior to the Trust Expiry Date, and has been chosen to allow sufficient time to address the complexities involved in identifying all of the beneficiaries entitled to distributions.</p>	NEW DEFINITION	NEW DATE	PREVIOUS DEFINITION	PREVIOUS DATE	CONTEXT	Trust Expiry Date	17 June 2118	n/a	1 January 2073	125 years from the date of execution of the Deed (section 16, Trusts Act 2019)	Determination Date	1 January 2117*	Termination Date	1 January 2072*	Approx. 18 months before the Trust Expiry Date	Termination Date	1 January 2118*	The anniversary of Termination Date	1 January 2073*	Approx. 6 months before the Trust Expiry Date
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			<p>The Termination Date is the date that sets default entitlements on a winding up. If the capital has not already been distributed prior to the Termination Date, the capital goes to the Default Beneficiaries. For a wind-up at the end of the life of the Trust, this date is approximately 6 months prior to the Trust Expiry Date. For a wind-up earlier in the life of the Trust, it is the actual date of winding up.</p>																				
16	Rules of Elections updated	Schedule 1, 3.5 (Rules of Election)	<p>The rules of elections would be updated to reflect best practice, including by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">updating clause 3.5(b) (Roll Compilation) to avoid contravening the Privacy Act 2020; and <p>allowing electronic voting processes.</p>																				
17	Introductory provisions updated	Background	The Background information in the Deed (previously, "Whereas...") would be updated to reflect the history of the Trust and the Deed and the purpose of the Deed amendment.																				
18	King Country Energy Limited removed as a party	Parties and execution panel	<p>King Country Energy Limited would be removed as a party to the Deed and from the execution (signing) provisions for the Deed.</p> <p>King Country Energy Limited was originally named as a party because it established the Trust. As it no longer has a specific role and it is already the case that it has no rights or powers under the Deed, there is no need to name it as a party anymore.</p>																				
19	General Modernisation	All	<p>There are a significant number of changes in the Deed that would be made to modernise the Deed and in particular to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">reflect the current situation of the Trust, for example:<ul style="list-style-type: none">the fact that the Trust disposed of its "Lines Shares" in January 2014 and so references to those shares were now redundant;to reflect that the composition of the trust fund has changed and will change over time;to update the Objects (clause 3) to reflect the evolution of the Trust and simplify the language;reflect changes in legislation, eg the coming into force of the Trusts Act 2019 (Trusts Act changes are summarised at the end of this explanatory document);reflect relevant technology developments such as virtual meetings; andmake it easier to read and understand the Deed. <p>This explanatory document does not comment specifically on each change that fits within the descriptions above. Accordingly, if a change you are reviewing does not have a specific description below, it should be seen as falling into the category of "general modernisation".</p>																				

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Te Tai Hauāuru MP urges Māori to set 16 October as first-jab deadline

By Moana Ellis, Local Democracy Reporter

They're calling it Super Saturday, a National Day of Action for Covid-19 vaccination, and Te Tai Hauāuru MP Adrian Rurawhe is urging Māori to make 16 October the deadline to get their first injection.

"If we want to get everyone fully vaccinated by December, we need everyone to have their first dose by mid-October," Rurawhe said.

"It's been really challenging to get our people to come in to get vaccinated. The thinking behind having a Super Saturday, a national day of action, was to give people focus. This is the date that you need to get your injection by."

Rurawhe is calling on community leaders, local councillors, mayors, iwi leaders, parents and grandparents, brothers and sisters to help counter misinformation and apathy, and encourage whānau to get their first vaccine shot by 16 October.

"Probably the most influential are our own whānau. So we've got a duty of care for each other to make sure that our whānau go and get vaccinated.

"This Delta variant of the Covid-19 virus is really difficult to handle and it's dangerous, especially for those who can't be vaccinated – and those who can't be vaccinated are our tamariki, our mokopuna under the age of 12 years old. They will become the most vulnerable."

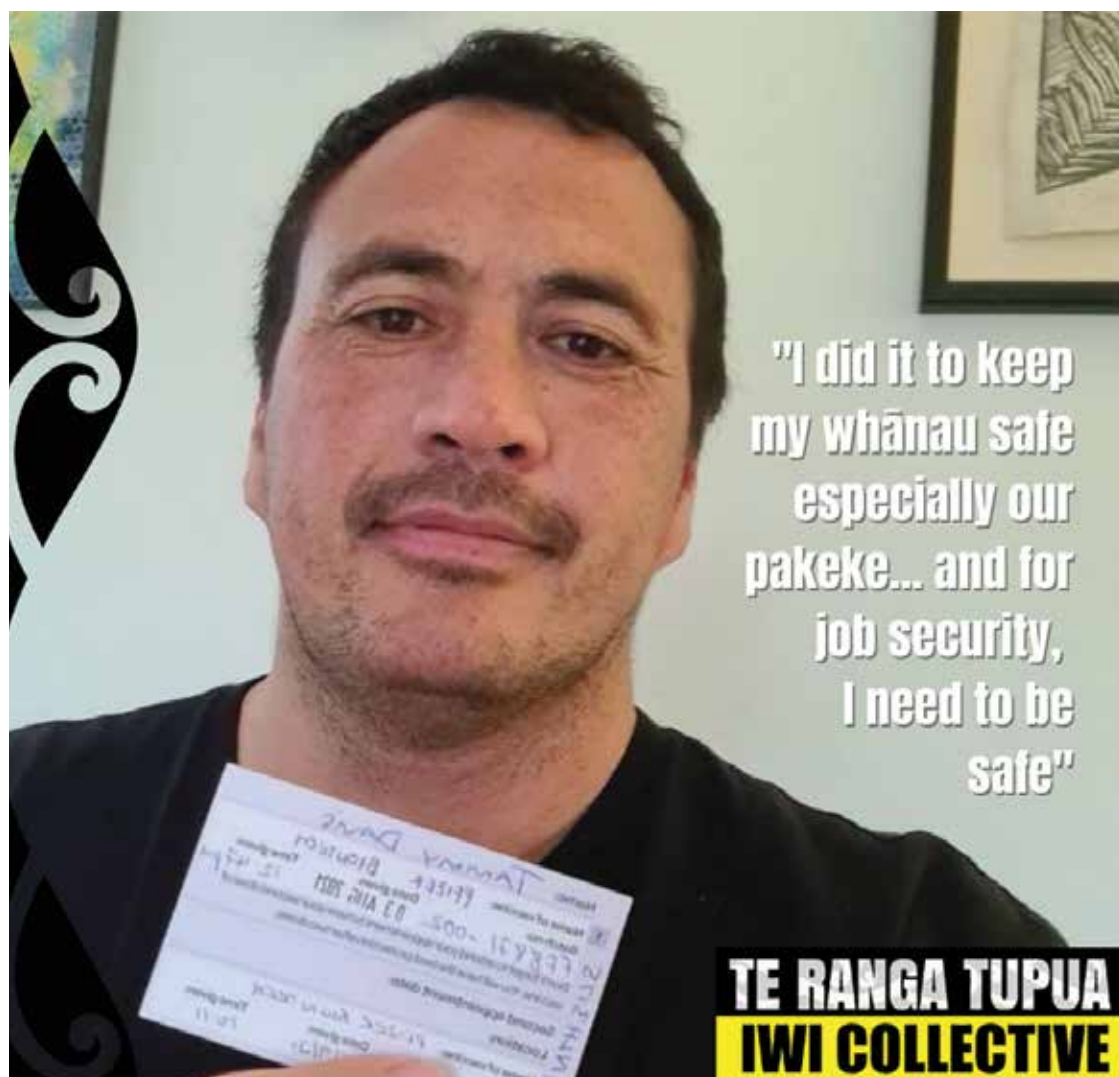
Rurawhe says the importance of getting double-jabbed is shown by the news that only three per cent of those infected in the latest outbreak in Auckland were vaccinated.

"So those who are catching it are the unvaccinated, and that's how it's going to work in the future. If you're not vaccinated you'll have a much higher risk of catching it and that is terrible news for Māori.

"For Whanganui Māori, we're only just over 50% (vaccinated) which is really low, and we need to lift that up to in the 90s. We're talking, in the Whanganui district, of around 6000 or 7000 Māori who are not vaccinated."



MP Adrian Rurawhe is urging Māori to get vaccinated against Covid.



"I did it to keep my whānau safe especially our pakeke... and for job security, I need to be safe"

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Layby planned to stop truck damage to reserve

A truck layby is planned for Mangawhero Terrace, where large vehicles can be parked when their drivers are staying in nearby motels.

The Waiouru Waimarino Community Board were asked to consider options for dealing with a problem where trucks have been parking on the edge of the Mangawhero reserve, on Mangawhero Terrace Extension, damaging the grass area.

Neither motel has sufficient off street parking to cater for trucks. On-street parking is problematic due to the narrower road width in this section, meaning trucks can potentially restrict visibility for other traffic users.

During the ski season, this area is also used as a bus stop during the day.

Several options were put to the Board and they agreed with the option to extend the seal area into a layby opposite The Peaks Motel.

The layby could also provide a safer bus stop during the day.

Work will be carried out between October 2021 and April 2022, with a date being set closer to the time.

In the meantime, no parking signs have been erected in the verge adjacent to Mangawhero Terrace Extension, set back to allow parking to continue on the already disturbed road verge.



The general area where a proposed truck parking layby will be built, to protect the reserve.

Ruapehu golf

It's been a busy weekend at the golf course, reports the Waimarino Golf Club, including hosting the Eagles tour on Saturday.

"Thank you to the team behind the scenes for making our club well renowned for its hospitality," said Pieta Gilbert on behalf of the Club.

Sunday a handful braved the rain for club day, with a few matches played. Yan Ping Sun taking out Pieta Gilbert for the finals ladies club champs on hole 34.

"Yan was hard to beat, I was waiting for her to duff or make any sort of mistake to get back, but she kept her cool and I did not having a few stupid shots that could have been well avoided," said Pieta.

Christiaan Van Der Westhuizen and Wing Young played their match in the Intermediates, Chris coming out on top and in to the finals.

Andy Entwisle and Alan Murdie played their match for inters champs too. Alan put up a good fight, taking Andy past 18 and back around to hole 5.

"Well done to Andy who will play Jerry for a spot in the finals against Christiaan.

Haggle results, nett round: Ladies – only two, Anne Hawkins taking the win. Intermediates: 1st Alan Murdie nett 70; 2nd Tom Spry nett 72; 3rd John Bell, who also got a 2 on 17 and nett 73 on a countback with Aiden. Seniors: 1st Golds Edmonds with nett 70 off the blues, also got a 2 on 17. 2nd Adam Hinana nett 74 off the blues. 3rd Andy Entwisle nett 76 on the whites also got a 2 on 17.

"Well done to all our winners," said Pieta.

"Just a reminder – twilight golf season starts soon, a great opportunity to see if golf is right for you. If you've ever wanted to just come out and have a casual hit with friends then Twilight is where it's at. Twilight starts on Thursday 11 November, tee off between 4 and 6."



The Waimarino Golf Course has been the place to be over recent weekends. Photo supplied.



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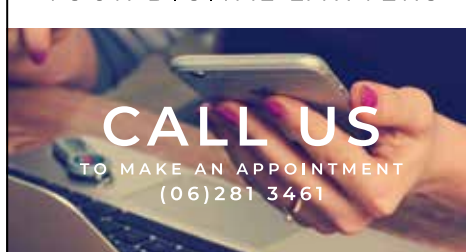
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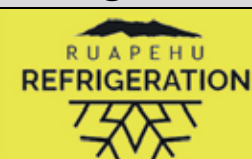
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Tuesday 19th October 6.30pm
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Student Photography Competition

Calling all student photographers, digital storytellers & creatives nationwide - entries are open now for Stills 2021. Stills is a student photography competition, sponsored by Canon, launching for the first time this year.

Stills is being run by Rockquest Promotions - the team behind the hugely successful performing arts platforms Smokefreerockquest, Smokefree Tangata Beats, Showquest, Rockshop Bandquest, OnScreen and Toi.

The Stills platform has come about as a reaction to the changing alert levels and social distancing restrictions - offering a creative outlet that students can get involved in regardless of where they are in the country. Students are encouraged to get creative with what they have - not judged by the number of megapixels in their camera so much as the style and creativity they use to complete the final image they submit.

Stills programme co-ordinator Georgia Parker says it is a great opportunity to foster creativity and connection in young creative students.

"Throughout the country annually we hold around 70 live events, and more often than not - we have student photographers coming along to shoot their peers performing. It is great to think we can help those students go and get involved in their local creative communities by offering them that opportunity to get their foot in the door, make some connections and learn the basics of their craft. It's a powerful thing, with a roll on effect."

"It makes a lot of sense for us to launch a photography platform focusing on these students now, reacting to a demand - but also providing a place for creative expression and celebration that can be done safely and in-keeping with all alert levels."

The images submitted will be judged by a panel of industry professionals.

There are four categories across two sections for the students to enter into; the Junior section (open to years 1-8 only), and the Open Section, where students must submit into 'Live', 'Hometown', or 'Enhanced' categories.

Awards up for grabs are sponsored by Canon, worth over \$7000. Entries close on 19 November.

Whanganui takes Meads log

The Pine Tree Log, an impressive trophy donated by the family of the late Sir Colin Meads, for competition between Whanganui and King Country Rugby teams, is in its fourth year of competition. Whanganui won it the first two years and lost it in 2020.

Ruapehu team/sub-union have been the 'team in the sandwich', having history of playing for both Whanganui and King Country.

In 1920, Ruapehu joined the King Country Rugby competition and the area extended as far north as Otorohanga.

Fifty years later, in 1970, Ruapehu moved affiliation to the Whanganui Union because at the time King Country wanted Ruapehu to play all their games at Taumarunui.

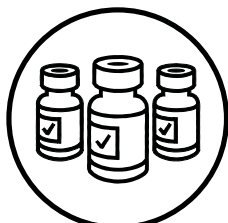
The game on Saturday was in Taupo, as the western part of King Country was under lockdown. It is probably old news that the All Black captain Sam Cane needed a game before joining the national team, and ended up playing for King Country. It certainly lifted expectations and was an inspiration to all players on the paddock.



Waimarino's four local representatives in the Whanganui team with the trophy after Whanganui beat King Country 48-13. They are, from left: Roman Tutauha, Campbell Hart (with Georgia) Gabriel Hakaraia and Jamie Hughes. Below: Gabriel Hakaraia tackles All Blacks captain Sam Cane. Photos: Merrilyn George.



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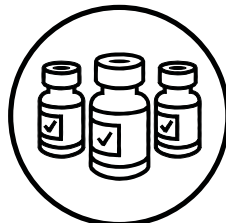
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Mountaneer Terry Young captured this stunning ice cave photograph on Mt Ruapehu recently, showing the chilling beauty of the potentially dangerous place – a scene usually associated with the South Island’s glacial areas. Photo provided by Visit Ruapehu.

\$600,000,000 needed to fix Ruapehu’s water

The Government estimates that NZ needs to spend between \$120-\$185 billion over the next 30-40 years on 3 waters (drinking, storm, waste) infrastructure with Ruapehu needing to spend up to \$600 million.

The proposed solution is to establish four large multi-regional water entities that would replace the 67 separate councils (or their agencies) which currently manage their district 3 waters services independently.

While some councils have started consulting with their communities on the reform proposals Ruapehu has followed the firm advice that this would be premature as the model is still being developed.

Government asked that councils assess the impact of the proposals and provide feedback which we have done. We anticipate a response to this feedback by the end of October/early November.

In the interim we have organised two community hui to outline what we know about the reforms so far and the associated implications. Come along with your questions and comments.

We believe this will best help our communities to understand what Government is proposing and enable people to have an informed say on the final model should consultation be required.

Where and when	Venue	Start time
Taumarunui - Wed 13 Oct	Miriama Rm, 10 Miriama St (downstairs Cossie Club)	6pm
Raetihi - Wed 20 Oct	The Centre, 14 Seddon St (Baptist Church Hall)	6pm

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