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FOR A THRIVING TE TAITOKERAU

E mahi nei kia tōnui ai Te Taitokerau



Northland
REGIONAL COUNCIL



Te Kaunihera ā rohe o Te Taitokerau

January 2024



NEW CHAIR AND DEPUTY

Te heamana hōu me te heamana tuarua hōu

Introducing our new Chair Geoff Crawford and his new deputy, former Chair Tui Shortland.

The duo was voted into their new positions after a number of portfolio switches across the council's nine-strong governance structure in late November.

Chair Crawford says the changes are part of the democratic process and he is working with staff to support councillors as they collectively transition into new leadership.

The new Chair has a background in farming and has been on council since local body elections in October last year. Councillor Shortland – who joined the council at the same time – says she is proud to have served as its first indigenous wahine Chair.

Further details of the changes can be found at www.nrc.govt.nz/newnrcchair



YOUR RATES AT WORK

Mō te aha ā tātou reiti?

COUNCIL SERVICES

Funds activities including planning, consents and monitoring; governance and engagement; economic development; customer services, transport, harbour safety and oil pollution control; corporate services and other activities.

LAND AND FRESHWATER MANAGEMENT

Funds land management activities and activities to improve freshwater quality in local waterways, like erosion control, landowner advice, water quality monitoring and water allocation

PEST MANAGEMENT

Funds pest plant and animal management activities on land and in the water and supports community-led pest control projects.

FLOOD INFRASTRUCTURE

Funds the development of flood protection infrastructure and other minor river works.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Provides funding for organisations whose primary purpose is to save lives that are in immediate or critical danger, or to respond to serious injury.



EMERGENCY AND HAZARD MANAGEMENT

Funds Civil Defence emergency management, natural hazard management activities and climate change adaptation planning activities. adaptation planning activities.

REGIONAL SPORTING FACILITIES

Contributes towards development of sporting facilities of regional benefit.

REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Funds activities which support economic wellbeing in Northland and community infrastructure.

Residents survey

He uiui whānui mō ngā kainoho

Share your views about the work we do, what's important to you and how we can do better.

Take our survey nrc.govt.nz/residentssurvey





SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS OPEN SOON

Aini ka whakarewaina ngā tono karahipi

Northlanders studying to help the environment thrive are encouraged to apply for council's Tū i te ora Scholarship.

The scholarships – which your rates help pay for – recognise, encourage, and support students to undertake study, research or training that relates to council's environmental and regulatory functions.

They also aim to build Māori capacity within Te Taitokerau, with three of the six scholarships earmarked for Māori who whakapapa to Te Taitokerau.

Recipients will receive \$4000 and paid work experience at council from November 2024 to February 2025.

This will be the fifth round of scholarships council has provided, with 26 students supported since the programme started in 2020.

Applications open Fri 26 Jan and close Sun 25 Feb.
For more info visit scholarships.nrc.govt.nz

Wai, it matters to all of us

Northland Regional Council has put together a draft Freshwater Plan Change for Te Taitokerau. It includes potential new rules that could mean big changes to how land and freshwater is managed in our region – and we want your thoughts on what it means for you.



Have your say on the future of our wai

**Talk to our team at community events,
online hui, and drop-in sessions, or to find
out more visit wai-it-matters.nz**

For more info on rates visit
www.nrc.govt.nz/rates

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