

Waitaki Link

WAITAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL

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It's your future, tell us what you want



What do you want for Waitaki for the next 10 years? Our 10-year Long Term Plan has just been released for public consultation and we'd like your feedback.

We want to pursue new opportunities to encourage more people to visit our district and more people to come and live here. For example, what would our district be like if we were to have the prestige of having UNESCO World Heritage Status, featuring our beautiful heritage buildings?

Fancy establishing a UNESCO Global Geopark incorporating Moeraki Boulders, Elephant Rocks, and Vanished World? If we obtained this special recognition, we'd be joining an exclusive international geopark community with countries like Northern Ireland, China, Iceland, Morocco, Vietnam and many more!

There's been some publicity about a new indoor recreation and events centre – a 'big ticket' item – that could cost \$14m and 50% would come from ratepayers. What's your point of view on this?

Our rural roads are taking a pounding with larger trucks and changing uses, eg forestry and dairy farms, so we're planning to spend more money upgrading and maintaining them.

Information about these projects can be found in our special consultation document. You can pick up a copy in Council offices in Oamaru and Palmerston or one of our libraries. All information is online at www.waitaki.govt.nz including an online submission form.

Don't wait! Submissions close on Monday 30 April.

Flying a drone?



Drones are fun to fly but you must comply with Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) rules.

As pilot, you need to have permission from the landowner or occupier of the land which you want to fly over.

We can provide you with a permit should you wish to fly over local roads, sports fields, beaches, parks and reserves, and

other Council-owned property. To apply for a permit, go to www.waitaki.govt.nz and search the keyword "Drones".

To report an incident or make a complaint about drone usage, please phone the CAA on 0508 4SAFETY (0508 472 338) or email isi@caa.govt.nz

Anzac Day Services



There will be a number of Anzac Day services across the district on Wednesday 25 April. (There will also be a posy laying service at the Oamaru Services Cemetery at 3.30pm, Tuesday 24 April.)

A full list of services will be published online at www.waitaki.govt.nz and in newspapers nearer the time.

Wreaths will be laid at all services. Medals and hats may be worn at all services. Medals of deceased Service personnel may be worn by family members on their right-hand lapel.

Services

Alma (7.15am)	Georgetown (10am)	Livingstone (10.30am)	Otekaieke (8.45am)
Dunback (11am)	Hakataramea (6.20am)	Maheno (9am)	Palmerston (8.30am)
Dunroon (9.15am)	Hampden (10.30am)	Oamaru (6.30am & 10.30am)	Papakaio (9am)
Enfield (9am)	Kurow (8.15am)	Omarama (11am)	Pukeuri (8.30am)

(Please note that alcohol sales are not permitted on the morning of Anzac Day)

Dates for your diary

Saturday 7 April & Saturday 28 April: Cape Wanbrow planting

Perfect activity for family, friends and dogs. Please bring a spade, snacks and a drink. Dress for weather conditions on the day. Meet at 9am by the entrance gate off Test Street for a short briefing. Finishes at 12pm. (Postponement dates Sunday 8 April and Sunday 29 April.)

Spread the word, bring a friend, the more, the merrier!

Saturday 7 April: Public registrations for Swim School at the Waitaki Aquatic Centre

From 9.30am to 12pm. For families new to Swim School or if your child has missed two or more terms of lessons. You must bring your child's swimwear with you, as an assessment to find their swim level will be done in the water.

Thursday 19 April: Colette O'Kane

Come and hear Oamaru teacher and artist Colette O'Kane as she tells stories from her adventurous working life in outback Australia, teaching children of indigenous tribes. Oamaru Library at 6pm. All welcome.



Pay online

It's here! You can now pay rates and other bills online at www.waitaki.govt.nz.

The online service also gives you the option of paying invoices, water charges, parking tickets and other fines. It's simple, convenient, and secure.

We're also offering a special discount – the 2% credit card online transaction merchant fee will be waived until **Thursday 31 May** (the credit card fee for over-the-counter transactions will remain the same).



Illegal rubbish dumping



It's illegal, it's unpleasant and you're paying for it!

Illegal dumping of household rubbish and garden waste is on the increase in our district and we want it stopped!

We don't believe increased rubbish fees are an excuse for people to dump rubbish illegally and most people wouldn't do it, but there are some who are creating a problem for all of us.

When it happens, we'll go and collect it and dispose of it appropriately but it's you, the ratepayer, who is paying for it and that's not fair.

If you have any suspicions or evidence of someone who is illegally dumping waste, please tell us and we'll investigate and take action where we can.

For example, did you see a trailer full of garden rubbish one evening and then the following morning it was gone? That waste has got to go somewhere and no lawful site is open overnight. Yes, they may have dumped it on a friend's farm (with their permission), but they may have just as easily dumped it down the road.

Your information may help us identify the culprit. Contact us in confidence on 03 433 0300 or email service@waitaki.govt.nz so we can put a stop to this.



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