

# your councillors

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Council has nine representatives elected by the community through the local body elections every three years.

The rural constituencies of Wairoa and Central Hawke's Bay are represented by one member each and the urban constituencies of Hastings and Napier have four members and three members consecutively. Councillors elect the Chairman at the first Council meeting following a local body election. The last election was held in October 2007. Council's Maori Committee Chairman, Mike Mohi was elected by the Maori Committee on 27 November 2008.

Councillors welcome your comments on Council activities both formally, through the Annual Plan submission process and informally through direct contact with them.



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## information

Information is available from Council on a range of matters relating to projects it has undertaken, meetings held and research it has been involved in, including:

- Council meeting agendas and minutes;
- Technical reports;
- Educational material;
- Correspondence;
- Pamphlets and newsletters;
- Council's website – [www.hbrc.govt.nz](http://www.hbrc.govt.nz).

If it is necessary to obtain information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act please contact the Administration Manager or Communications Co-ordinator, but note that information is usually readily available without the need for a formal request.

### Legislative framework

The functions, duties and powers of the Hawke's Bay Regional Council are primarily contained within the following Acts:

- Biosecurity Act 1993
- Building Act 2004
- Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002
- Hawke's Bay Endowment Land Empowering Act 2002
- Land Drainage Act 1908
- Local Electoral Act 2001
- Local Government Act 2002
- Local Government Official Information Meetings Act 1987
- Local Government (Rating) Act 2002
- Maritime Transport Act 1994
- Resource Management Act 1991
- Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Act 1941
- Transit New Zealand Act 1989
- Land Transport Management Act 2003
- Transport Services Licensing Act 1989

In addition to legislation, Council also has authority under "The Hawke's Bay Regional Council Bylaw 1990" and "The Hawke's Bay Regional Navigation & Safety Bylaws 2007".

Copies of these Bylaws are available at Council offices.

### Plans we use

The Local Government Act 2002 (the Act) came fully into effect on 1 July 2003. This Act requires Council to produce the following plans and reports:

- A Long Term Council Community Plan (LTCCP) for 2006-16, prepared under Section 93 of the Act (Adopted June 2006);
- The Annual Report for the financial year ending 30 June 2008 - this will be prepared under Section 98 of the Act.

The reporting will also include 'a summary of information' contained in the Annual Report for both in the Annual Report and the LTCCP.

The Resource Management Act 1991 gives the Hawke's Bay Regional Council the responsibility for promoting the sustainable management of the natural and physical resources of the region. Council has produced a Regional Policy Statement, in line with the requirements of the Act, which establishes a planning framework to balance the demands placed on the natural resources by users.

In addition to the Regional Policy Statement, the Resource Management Act enables Council to develop plans containing rules and regulations by which the management of the natural resources will be carried out.

Council has prepared the following resource management plans:

- Regional Resource Management Plan (incorporating the Regional Policy Statement) (*operative 28 August 2006*);
- Regional Coastal Plan (*operative June 1999*);
- Proposed Regional Coastal Environment Plan (*publicly notified August 2006*).

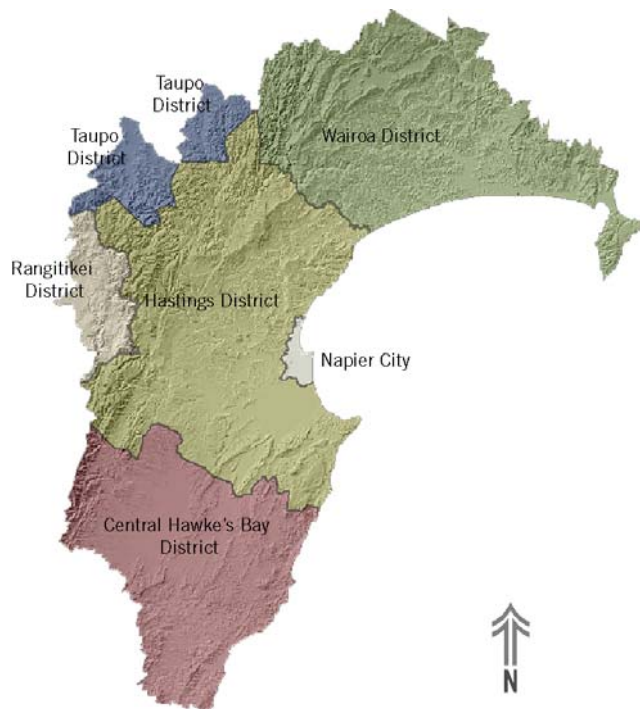
The Resource Management Act also requires Council to monitor the state of the environment, so State of the Environment Update Reports are produced annually. The next full SoE report is due in 2009.

The Biosecurity Act 1993 allows Council to undertake biosecurity functions provided they have developed a Pest Management Strategy. The Regional Plant Pest and Animal Pest Management Strategy has been developed in accordance with the Biosecurity Act 1993 and sets out Council's goals and objectives with regard to its biosecurity functions. The current Regional Pest Management Strategy was adopted by Council in December 2006 and must be reviewed again by December 2011.

The Regional Land Transport Strategy and the Regional Passenger Transport Plan were approved in October 2002 as a requirement of the Land Transport Amendment Act 1995. A revised Land Transport Strategy was adopted by Council in February 2008 and the Regional Passenger Transport Plan was adopted in July 2008.

## About Hawke's Bay

Population (2006 census)	147,783  68.5% of people stated they were of the European ethnic group, 23.5% Maori, 3.25% Pacific, 2.5% Asian and 0.5% African/Latin American/ Middle Eastern.
Environmental priorities	In a 2005 research survey, Hawke's Bay people said their top environmental concerns were water and waste management, clean air, urban spread, solid waste and pest control. This research is to be redone in 2008/09.
Economy	The Hawke's Bay economy accounted for approx 3.2% of economic activity in New Zealand. As a regional economy, Hawke's Bay is of note due to the strength and inter-relationship of primary production and manufacturing. These two sectors combined account for 45% of region GDP compared to 24% for the NZ economy. The region accounts for 10-12% of sheep and beef numbers and 20% of grape plantings nationally. The combination of the elevated NZ Dollar and the aftermath of the 2007 drought (plus another in 2008) are constraining factors for the region.
Labour market	Unemployment in the region fell from 7.7% in 2001 to 4.6% in 2006 (census data). The demand for seasonal labour for harvests is a significant issue in periods of high employment when surplus casual labour is less available.
Education	Hawke's Bay has 57.4% of school leavers with NCEA Level 2 or higher (2006). EIT and other independent providers offer tertiary studies in a range of subjects with particular relevance to the local economy.
Natural Resources	River catchments (24) Major rivers – <i>Wairoa, Mohaka, Esk, Tutaekuri, Ngaruroro, Tukituki, Waipawa</i> Major lakes – <i>Waikareiti, Waikaremoana, Tutira</i> Significant wetlands - <i>Whakaki, Ahuriri Estuary, Waitangi Estuary, Porangahau Estuary, Pekapeka Swamp</i> Major aquifer systems - <i>Heretaunga Plains, Ruataniwha/ Takapau Plains</i> Coastline – 350km



## about Hawke's Bay Regional Council

Hawke's Bay Regional Council was established in 1989 following a reform of local government structures.

### Our role is to

- Use education, information, plans and/or rules to manage the region's natural and physical resources.
- Provide, manage and maintain flood control and drainage schemes.
- Manage and control animal and plant pests.
- Plan and coordinate the region's transport needs, including road safety, subsidised public bus services and a total mobility scheme for people with disabilities.
- Plan for and manage navigation safety.
- Prepare and plan for managing the region in an emergency such as storm, flood, major earthquake or ashfall from a volcanic eruption.
- Plan for and meet the communities identified needs for social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being.
- Act as custodian for regional economic development functions via the economic development and tourism agency, Hawke's Bay Inc.
- Steward and owner of strategic regional assets including Port of Napier, Napier leasehold land, flood protection assets and other investments.

### Council Statistics

Regional council employees	160	
Rateable properties	66, 691	
Rateable hectares	1.4 million hectares (approx)	
Resource consents administered	Approx 6400	
Stopbanks	239km	
River control and bank protection works	420km	
Flood detention dams	11	
Rivers, streams and drains maintained	802km	
Drainage and flood control structures	256	
Data collection sites (surface and groundwater, rainfall, climate, air quality)	246	
Total area under PCA programmes	24 PCAs over 350,000ha	
Total area under TB control	41 contracts over 655,534ha	
Vessels arriving in the Port of Napier	671	
Reserves	Tutira Country Park	463 ha
	Pakowhai	19.22 ha
	Tangoio Soil Conservation Reserve	550 ha
Leasehold rights administered	River berm land	11
	Napier Leaseholders	1108
	Wellington leasehold properties	13

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