

Your Rates Update

July 2019

The Kaipara District Council's Annual Plan was adopted, on 27 June 2019 and rates will change from 1 July 2019. The full plan can be found on Council's website.

The following information provides some insight into where your money goes, and some of the projects on the horizon.



This Annual Plan has had to provide for ever increasing resource and building consents as more residents want to call Kaipara home. Council has approved increased resourcing to ensure we comply with statutory processing timeframes for our consents. With big projects like Mangawhai Central starting, we need to be prepared for more complicated work. The on-going District Plan review will assist in this wider projects.

Council has created a contestable fund for community reserve projects of \$300,000 per annum and is currently taking applications.

Other projects include;

- Delivery of the Mangawhai Community Plan
- On-going Rooding improvements across the network
- Upgrades to the Kaiwaka and Te Kopuru wastewater treatment plants
- Remediation of weather tightness in the Northern Wairoa War Memorial Hall
- Desludging of the Dargaville wastewater ponds
- Consultation and investigation around rubbish and recycling services

Roads and footpaths



Manage and maintain; signage, markings, streetlights, footpaths, walkways, & cycleway's (excl. NZTA Funding)

Community Activities



Reserves and open spaces; libraries, community planning and development

District Leadership, Finance & Internal Services



The business of Council; governance, policy, planning, Civil Defence

Regulatory Management



Licensing, consenting, building control, resource consents

Sewerage Treatment and Disposal



Collections, treatment, disposal of wastewater (the bulk of funding is collected through Targeted Rates)

Solid Waste



Litterbins, fly-tipping, transfer station and waste minimisation projects

Stormwater Drainage



Management of community stormwater schemes including roading stormwater

General rates that are paid by the whole district accounts for \$24 million of the \$36 million rates collection.

NB: localised targeted rates (\$12m in total) are not represented in the pie chart. This includes water supply.

For the financial year beginning on 1 July 2019 and ending on 30 June 2020, the average rates increase across the District is 5.26%.

Actual cost increases will differ between properties and communities - see the enclosed rates assessment for more detail on how your rates are calculated

Remember – that the Council also collects rates on behalf of the Northland Regional Council.

If you have any queries regarding Regional Council rates, please contact them directly on 0800 002 004



Rates Due Dates

There will be four instalments for 2019/2020 rates, with payment due on the following dates:

Instalment Due Date

1	20 th August 2019
2	20 th November 2019
3	20 th February 2020
4	20 th May 2020

Rates Rebates

The Council supports and endorses the Government-funded Rates Rebate Scheme and encourages ratepayers to check whether they are eligible. Applicants could be entitled to a rebate of up to \$640. Applications must be made each year, and within the applicable rating year.

Visit www.ratesrebates.govt.nz for more information



Payment options

- ✓ Automatic Payment
- ✓ Telephone banking
- ✓ Internet banking
- ✓ Eftpos at the counter
- ✓ Cheque
- ✓ Direct debit
- ✓ Online credit/debit card payment

The Kaipara District Council bank account number for any automatic payments, telephone banking or internet banking is:

02-0308-0090743-07 BNZ

Making online payments

Please include the valuation number from your rates invoice in the reference field, state whether the payment is for 'Rates' or 'Water', and include your surname and initials.

Direct Debit

Paying your rates and water rates by direct debit is easy and convenient. It means you can avoid standing in queues and never have to worry about missing a payment and incurring late fees.

More than 2,500 ratepayers currently pay by direct debit, and there are a number of options available, including weekly, fortnightly, monthly or yearly payments. We can also deduct the balance due on the due date.