

Waikato District update



Galbraith Street, Ngaaruawaahia

Kia ora neighbour,

With the strong and increasing demand for housing in the Waikato, Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities has a large build programme underway.

We are on track to build and purchase over 1000 new modern, warm and dry homes in the region between 2023 and 2025.

If you want to know more:

www.kaingaora.govt.nz/waikato

Here is a snapshot of activity occurring in Te Kauwhata, Raahui Pookeka (Huntly) and Ngaaruawaahia.



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Kāinga Ora

The primary role of Kāinga Ora is to provide public housing, but we also administer a range of products to help people into home ownership and partner with Council's on larger community developments.

We not only work directly with people living in our homes, we also rent or lease properties to community organisations working with whaanau for supported housing. We are investigating the best use of all our houses to ensure they meet the needs of our customers. The homes that are currently being planned and built are part of our response. Future redevelopment projects are being looked at as 60% of our homes were built prior to 1980.

Healthy Homes

Kāinga Ora currently has 401 homes in Waikato District. The Residential Tenancies (Healthy Homes Standards) Regulations (2019) sets out minimum standards for heating, insulation, ventilation, moisture ingress/drainage, and draught-stopping. Kāinga Ora has to ensure all homes across our portfolio comply with these standards by 1 July 2024. All our homes now comply with the standards.



Old Taupiri Road, Ngaaruawaahia

Who will live in the new homes

Kāinga Ora will match homes to families to be their long term homes, with priority given to those in greatest need, while considering location due to work, wider whaanau, and education.

Questions?

If you want to know more, please don't hesitate to contact one of the Kāinga Ora team.

Email:

Waikato.region@kaingaora.govt.nz



Community Engagements

Community Engagement is ongoing. Our team are available to talk with people around any of our activity in the Region. There are a number of ways to reach out to us.

Website:

www.kaingaora.govt.nz/waikato

We keep our website updated as projects receive Resource Consent from Council and progress through construction.

Email us at:

Waikato.region@kaingaora.govt.nz

Our team are very responsive. We can also be found at your local Community Centres every couple of months, Ngaaruawaahia Community Centre, Huntly Friendship House



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Te Kauwhata

Through the resource consenting process the planned redevelopment of our homes in Te Kauwhata on Waerenga Road has now been stopped. The existing homes will be reinstated for tenancy.

Raahui Pookeka (Huntly)

Resource Consent Submitted

- Baker Street and Leather Street

Through the resource consenting process the planned redevelopment of our homes in Huntly on the following streets have now been stopped. The existing homes will be reinstated for tenancy.

- Porritt Ave
- Blundell Place

Ngaaruawaahia - January 2024 to September 2024

Recently Completed (4 new homes)

- Old Taupiri Road (4 four-bedroom homes)

Resource Consent Submitted to Council

- North Street
- Fairmont Street

Approved Resource Consents, Constructing Occurring (20 new homes)

- Galbraith Street (8 two-bedroom, 8 three-bedroom and 4 four-bedroom)

Home Ownership Assistance

Looking at buying your first home but not sure where to start?

Kāinga Ora offers several products and resources that can give you a helping hand toward home ownership. These include financial assistance to help people afford a deposit or ongoing repayments. Have a look at what could be right for you.

This can be done through programmes like:

- a. First Home Loan (5% Deposit and other criteria apply)
- b. Kāinga Whenua Loan
- c. Kiwisaver first-home withdrawal
- d. KiwiBuild (<https://www.kiwibuild.govt.nz/available-homes/>)

Home Ownership :: Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities (kaingaora.govt.nz)



Current Kiwibuild opportunities on Galbraith Street, Ngaaruawaahia

[New Zealand Government](http://www.govt.nz)

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